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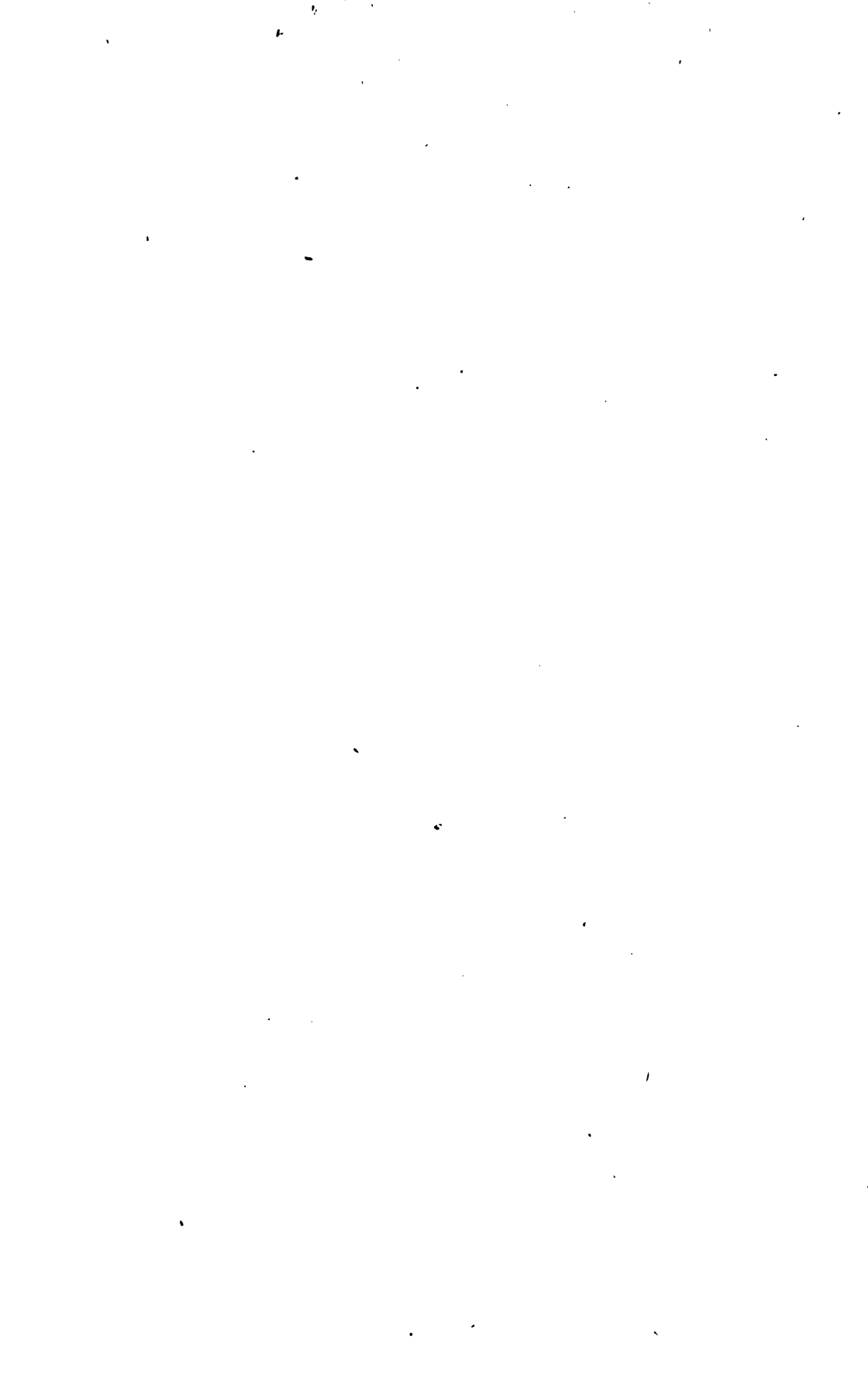
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The one hundred and thirteenth General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the sixth day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixteenth. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the representatives' chamber, were called to order at eleven o'clock A.M. by Mr. Charles H. Nye of Barnstable, the senior member-elect present.

Preliminary organization.

By request of the presiding officer prayer was offered by Rev. George S. Ball of Upton, a member-elect.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Secretary informed that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Gillett of Springfield, Perkins of Boston, Bicknell of Weymouth, Newell of West Newbury, Mayhew of Tisbury, Carter of Williamsburgh, Rivers of Milton and Delaney of Fall River were appointed the committee.

Thereupon the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all persons returned as representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office.

On motion of Mr. Horton of Attleborough, —

Ordered, That the Clerk call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum be present.

Roll call.

The roll was called; and two hundred and twenty members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Governor notified that quorum of the House is present.

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Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Rosnosky of Boston, Fletcher of Belmont, St. John of Haverhill, O'Neil of Chicopee, Rideout of Cambridge, Barrett of Concord and Sullivan of Fall River were appointed the committee.

Qualification of members.

Soon afterwards His Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the constitution and the laws were administered by His Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them; after which the Governor, the Council and the Secretary withdrew.

Notice of organization of Senate.

A message was received from the Senate announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Alfred S. Pinkerton of Worcester as president, and Henry D. Coolidge of Concord as clerk.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed, to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

After remarks by Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park and Charles of Boston, the following-named gentlemen were appointed the committee: Messrs. Lakin of Westfield, Burke of Quincy, Ferren of Stoneham, Prescho of Boston, Parker of Methuen and Parkhurst of Clinton.

Mr. Lakin, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	227
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	114
William E. Barrett of Melrose had	.	.	.	.	.	.	227

Speaker elected.

And, Mr. Barrett having been unanimously elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park and Charles of Boston, and spoke as follows: —

GENTLEMEN: — I extend to you my deepest thanks for the high compliment conveyed by your election to serve for the fourth time as Speaker of this House. Under such circumstances the simplest expression is the most natural, and I can only say that it will be my aim that the confidence thus bestowed shall not be misplaced.

We meet to perform a high and honorable trust. The Legislature of Massachusetts has stood through all the years unexcelled, in point of dignity, character and results, by any similar body in the nation. Its annals form a

part of the history of the Commonwealth, and to us is entrusted the maintenance of that high standard for another year. It may not be unbecoming in me to call your attention to the fact that there is a reasonable public demand that the sessions of the Legislature should be confined to a time sufficient to fairly pass upon the business which is brought before us. A long session, except under unusual circumstances, is not an advantage to the State. The causes which, to my mind, are most to be remedied to prevent it are (1) the indefinite and vague way of introducing legislation on orders rather than by bills, the latter practice bringing matters much more directly to an issue and relieving the committees of much general investigation as well as giving the public a better knowledge of what is proposed; (2) the long delays by the committees, generally granted out of a spirit of accommodation to outside parties who, in many cases, think that their business before the Legislature can well wait on other engagements; and (3) the habit in the House, out of a spirit of courtesy, of many times postponing the consideration of important public matters. Meeting as we do, without drawing the close party lines which prevail in many other legislatures, we are deprived of the advantage which comes from the spirit of party responsibility, while gaining much at the same time in the way of non-partisan consideration of legislation. Lacking as we do, however, the organization which comes from party antagonism, every member owes it to himself and the State, both in the committee-room and on the floor, to use his utmost effort to push forward the business placed in his hands.

To the laborious but enjoyable work of the session the Chair will devote himself with such zeal and capacity as he possesses. He asks the loyal support of all the members in considering, for the best interests of the State, the matters which will be submitted to us, hoping that we shall have in mind in the daily routine of public business, the great object which should always be first in our minds — how best we may serve the people of the State and maintain the honor of the Commonwealth. The record which we shall make is in your hands, and, in the purpose of maintaining it at the highest point, the Chair will ask your, and be always ready to give his own, best efforts. Gentlemen, thanking you again for the high honor which

you have placed in my hands, the Chair awaits the pleasure of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for clerk.

Messrs. Bennett of Everett, Charles of Boston, Blodgett of Templeton, Howard of West Bridgewater, Heald of Pepperell and Harris of Boston were appointed the committee.

Mr. Bennett, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	. . . . .	225
Necessary for a choice,		113
Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston had		225

Clerk elected.

And Mr. McLaughlin, having been unanimously elected, was conducted to the council chamber by a committee consisting of Messrs. Norton of Boston and Buckley of Holyoke, and, having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made accordingly to the House, and the clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

On motion of Mr. Weir of Lowell, —

Senate notified
of organization
of the House.

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a speaker and a clerk.

Messrs. Weir of Lowell, Richardson of Newburyport, Brock of Lynn, Nutting of Northampton, Atwood of Plymouth, Crane of Taunton and Bourne of Savoy were appointed the committee.

Mr. Weir, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Nye of Barnstable, —

Governor and
Council notified
of organization
of the House.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Governor and Council that the House has been organized by the election of a speaker and a clerk.

Messrs. Nye of Barnstable, McCall of Winchester, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Brewer of Springfield, McLoughlin of Milford, Warren of Boston and Holmes of Chelsea were appointed the committee.

Mr. Nye, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that John G. B. Adams of Lynn had been elected sergeant-at-arms on the part of that branch. Election of sergeant-at-arms.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for the sergeant-at-arms. Id.

Messrs. Oakes of Boston, Jewett of North Adams, Bessom of Lynn, Quinn of Sharon, McEvoy of Lowell and Winslow of Norwood were appointed the committee.

Mr. Oakes, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	219
Necessary for a choice,	110
John G. B. Adams of Lynn had	219

And Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the House.

Messrs. Oakes of Boston and Bessom of Lynn were appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as sergeant-at-arms on the part of the House. Senate notified of election of sergeant-at-arms.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered. Hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That a committee on Rules, consisting of nine members, be appointed, of which the Speaker shall be chairman; that this committee shall be authorized to report from time to time rules for the government of the House, and measures for expediting its business. Committee on Rules appointed.

The Speaker announced the following-named members as the committee: the Speaker and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Charles of Boston, Gillett of Springfield, Bennett of Everett, Durant of Cambridge and Heald of Pepperell.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1891 be adopted as the rules of the present House, until otherwise ordered. Rules of the House.

Orders.

Bulletin of committee hearings.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of printing a bulletin of committee hearings.

Sent up for concurrence.

Daily papers for use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House two copies of each of the Boston daily papers, and of the daily papers published in Springfield and Worcester, and one daily paper from each other city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published.

Printing of the Journal.

On motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, —

Ordered, That the clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the House; that one thousand copies of the same be printed; and that an attested copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the journal of the House.

Election of Chaplain.

Election of chaplain.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved that Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston be elected chaplain of the House by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and Mr. Waldron was unanimously elected, and declaration was made accordingly.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint rules.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted.

Joint committee on Rules.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a joint special committee, to consist of the President and four members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

The President and Messrs. Smith, Thayer, Parkman and McNary having been appointed by the Senate, the Speaker and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Charles of Boston, Gillett of Springfield, Bennett of Everett, Durant of Cambridge and Heald of Pepperell were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that John G. B. Adams of Lynn be notified that he has been elected, by the two branches of the General Court, sergeant-at-arms for the current political year. Sergeant-at-arms notified of his election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General, be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate, and such as the House may join. Votes for Governor and State officers.

Messrs. Champlin, Drury and Meade having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Horton of Attleborough, Woodsum of Braintree, Roe of Worcester, Dennis of Salem, Battles of Brockton, Hall of Woburn, Ross of New Bedford and Ruggles of Franklin were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate and such as the House may join. Votes for councillors.

Messrs. Eaton and Shaw having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Olmstead of Boston, Danforth of Lynnfield, Blanchard of Boston, Meyer of Boston, O'Neil of Chicopee, Smith of Gloucester, Hart of Lawrence and Casey of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

Assistant Clerk Appointed.

A communication was received from the clerk, announcing that he had appointed James W. Kimball of Lynn assistant clerk of the House of Representatives for the year 1892, under authority of section 26 of chapter 2 of the Public Statutes, which was read and placed on file. Assistant clerk.

Precepts for Elections.

A communication was received from Fred M. Ambrose of Southborough, representative-elect from the Twelfth Worcester Representative District, stating that since his election he had removed from the Commonwealth, and declining to qualify as a member. Twelfth Worcester Representative District.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Rugg of Grafton, —

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept, giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Twelfth Worcester Precept for election.

Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

First Middlesex
Representative
District, —
precept for
election.

Ordered, That whereas Charles Almy, elected a member of the House of Representatives from the First Middlesex District, has, by acceptance of a judicial office, namely, the position of judge of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex, resigned his position as a member of said House, the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the First Middlesex Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Hopewell of Cambridge, at one minute before one o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 7, 1892.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him.

Reading of the Journal Dispensed With.

On motion of Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Voted, That the reading of the journal of yesterday be dispensed with, and that hereafter the reading of the journal be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Reading of the journal dispensed with.

Members Qualified.

Messrs. Burbank of Pittsfield, Hevey of Woburn and Whitcomb of Boxborough, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Bacheller of Lynn, Sparhawk of Marblehead and Kilduff of Holyoke were appointed a committee, who conducted them to the council chamber, and they having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Members qualified.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, as follows : —

Votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers.

For Governor of the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM E. RUSSELL of Cambridge has	. 157,982 votes.
CHARLES H. ALLEN of Lowell has	. 151,515 “
CHARLES E. KIMBALL of Lynn has	. 8,968 “
HENRY WINN of Malden has	. 1,749 “
HARRY W. ROBINSON of Boston has	. 1,429 “
All others,	. 7 “

And WILLIAM E. RUSSELL is elected.

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For Lieutenant-Governor.

WILLIAM H. HAILE of Springfield has	. 157,216 votes.
JOHN W. CORCORAN of Clinton has	. 145,865 "
AUGUSTUS R. SMITH of Lee has	. 9,346 "
WILLIAM J. SHIELDS of Boston has	. 2,399 "
GEORGE R. PEARE of Lynn has	. 1,471 "
All others,	4 "

And WILLIAM H. HAILE is elected.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM M. OLIN of Boston has	. 153,586 votes.
ELBRIDGE CUSHMAN of Lakeville has	. 138,202 "
ALFRED W. RICHARDSON of Springfield has	. 10,890 "
JOSEPH D. CADLE of Westfield has	. 3,729 "
EDWARD W. THEINERT of Holyoke has	. 1,607 "
All others,	6 "

And WILLIAM M. OLIN is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

GEORGE A. MARDEN of Lowell has	. 152,915 votes.
JAMES S. GRINNELL of Greenfield has	. 138,760 "
SAMUEL B. SHAPLEIGH of Boston has	. 10,454 "
THOMAS A. WATSON of Braintree has	. 2,851 "
CHARLES FRIEDE of Boston has	. 2,220 "
All others,	3 "

And GEORGE A. MARDEN is elected.

For Auditor of Accounts.

JOHN W. KIMBALL of Fitchburg has	. 150,697 votes.
WILLIAM D. T. TREFFRY of Marblehead has	. 137,928 "
WILLIAM O. ARMSTRONG of Boston has	. 11,707 "
WILLIAM O. WAKEFIELD of Lynn has	. 2,859 "
SQUIRE E. PUTNEY of Somerville has	. 2,525 "
All others,	3 "

And JOHN W. KIMBALL is elected.

For Attorney-General.

ALBERT E. PILLSBURY of Boston has	. 151,182 votes.
GEORGE M. STEARNS of Chicopee has	. 138,865 "
WOLCOTT HAMLIN of Amherst has	. 10,590 "
HERBERT MCINTOSH of Worcester has	. 3,387 "
JAMES WALDOCK of Boston has	. 1,539 "
All others,	3 "

And ALBERT E. PILLSBURY is elected.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. William E. Russell that he has been elected in the manner prescribed by the constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor not-
ified of their
election.

Also to inform the Hon. William H. Haile that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

Messrs. Southwick, Provin and McDonald having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Charles of Boston, Pratt of Lowell, Carter of Wakefield, Anderson of Cambridge, Parker of Boston, Wellman of Malden, Smith of Gloucester and Burbank of Pittsfield were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Charles, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted in concurrence :—

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Oaths of office
administered to
Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Thayer, Raymond and Parkman, of the Senate, and Messrs. Perkins of Somerville, Moriarty of Worcester, Loud of Chelsea, Rosnosky of Boston, Jackson of Swampscott, Burnham of Boston, Rockwell of Fitchburg and Dodge of Natick, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are

Joint conven-
tion.

now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office.

Mr. Thayer, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

The oaths and affirmations of office were then, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. William E. Russell as Governor, and the Hon. William H. Haile as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's address.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the Senators and Representatives.

After which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Papers from the Senate.

Votes for councillors.

The report of the joint committee on the votes for councillors, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Wier of Lowell. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

- District No. 1. Isaac N. Keith of Bourne.
 2. Edwin V. Mitchell of Medfield.
 3. Ephraim Stearns of Waltham.
 4. James Donovan of Boston.
 5. Moses How of Haverhill.
 6. Charles F. Loring of Melrose.
 7. George F. Morse of Leominster.
 8. Elisha Morgan of Springfield.

Secretary directed to notify councillors of their election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, Charles F. Loring, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan, that they have been duly elected councillors, to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that the several councillors-elect, with the exception of Charles F. Loring of Melrose, who was absent on account of illness, had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such of the councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Fernald, Drury and Smith, of the Senate, and Messrs. Clough of Worcester, Richmond of Freetown, Chance of Boston, Galloupe of Beverly, Lyford of Springfield, Holmes of Chelsea, Proctor of Somerville and Dacey of Boston, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the councillors-elect, and inform them that the two Houses are in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the constitution to qualify them for office.

Soon afterwards councillors-elect Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan, came in, and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly.

The councillors then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. William M. Olin of Boston that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. George A. Marden of Lowell that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. John W. Kimball of Fitchburg that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston that he has been elected Attorney-General, severally to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Councillors
qualified.

Joint conven-
tion.

Clerks of the
Senate and
House directed
to notify Secre-
tary, Treasurer,
Auditor and
Attorney-Gen-
eral of their
election.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Secretary directed to notify Governor of election and qualification of councillors.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan have been duly elected and qualified as councillors, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Disposition of Governor's address.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Adjournment and Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, —

Adjournment until Monday, — hour of meeting.

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, at seven minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at 2 o'clock P.M.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and that Mr. Tucker of New Bedford had been designated to preside. Mr. Tucker accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid on the Table.

The annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners was received, and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge. Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M., and that hereafter that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered. Adjournment,—hour of meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

A report, in part, of the joint committee on Rules, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Durant of Cambridge, as follows: In Joint Rule, No. 1, after the words "A committee on Education" insert the words "A committee on Election Laws;" also strike out the words "A committee on Election Laws" before the words "A committee on Federal Relations." Joint Rule, No. 1.

A report of the joint committee on Rules, on an order relative to the disposition of the Governor's Address, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concur- Disposition of the Governor's address.

rence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, as follows : —

So much thereof as relates to increased executive responsibility to a joint special committee on " Administrative Boards and Commissions," to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House.

So much thereof as relates to executive boards and officers to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Board of Agriculture, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to a department for roads, bridges and drainage, to the joint committee on Roads and Bridges.

So much thereof as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city, to the joint committee on Cities.

So much thereof as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the superintendent of prisons, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to Building Commissions, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to clerical assistance, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to deficiencies in appropriations, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to suffrage, to the joint committee on Election Laws.

So much thereof as relates to election and ballot laws, to the joint committee on Election Laws.

So much thereof as relates to the lobby, to the joint committee on Rules.

So much thereof as relates to the passage of general instead of special laws, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities, to the joint committee on Cities.

So much thereof as relates to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to a change in the system of land transfer, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the reduction of the hours of labor of women and children, to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the amendment of the Employers' Liability Act, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the further protection of railroad employees, to the joint committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to the imposition of fines on weavers, to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the so-called "sweating system," to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments, to the joint committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to taxation for expenditure for the public schools, to the joint committee on Taxation.

So much thereof as relates to the World's Columbian Exposition, to the joint committee on Federal Relations.

So much thereof as relates to rapid transit, to a joint special committee, consisting of four members of the Senate and eleven members of the House.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows : —

House Standing Committees.

Standing committees of the House.

Judiciary. — Messrs. Gillett of Springfield, Wier of Lowell, Charles of Boston, Warren of Boston, Lawrence of Medford, Wellman of Malden, Parker of Boston, Kilduff of Holyoke and Ashley of Westfield.

Probate and Insolvency. — Messrs. Durant of Cambridge, L. M. Clark of Boston, Sprague of Boston, Brewer of Springfield, Capen of Stoughton, Rivers of Milton, Barney of New Bedford, Dolan of Boston and Ruggles of Franklin.

Finance. — Messrs. Rideout of Cambridge, Bartlett of Lowell, Loud of Chelsea, Crowley of Boston, Buckley of Holyoke, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Jenkins of Wellfleet, Shute of Malden and Hoyt of Haverhill.

County Estimates. — Messrs. Hinds of Webster, Soule of Middleborough, Richmond of Freetown, Harris of Boston, Francis of New Bedford, McCarthy of Boston and Brogan of Boston.

Elections. — Messrs. Sawyer of Danvers, Wier of Lowell, Whitcomb of Boxborough, Battles of Brockton, Sargent of Leicester, Sundberg of Boston and Casey of Boston.

Rules. — The Speaker and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Charles of Boston, Gillett of Springfield, Bennett of Everett, Durant of Cambridge and Heald of Pepperell.

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Blodgett of Templeton, Nickerson of Chatham and Lanigan of Boston.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Kilduff of Holyoke and Dolan of Boston.

Leave of Absence. — Messrs. Low of Brockton, Connolly of Fall River and Sundberg of Boston. Standing committees of the House.

Pay Roll. — Messrs. Garfield of Brockton, Larkin of Tolland and Turner of Boston.

In concurrence, the joint standing committees were appointed as follows : —

Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Hickox of Berkshire, Arnold of Plymouth and Merritt of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gillett of Heath, Crane of Taunton, Andrews of Essex, Smith of Hampden, Adams of Springfield, Buck of Stockbridge, Woodward of Franklin and Gallup of Clarksburg, *of the House*. Joint standing committees.

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Nutter of Plymouth, Carberry of Suffolk and Shaw of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Howard of Newton, Read of Pittsfield, Perkins of Boston, Clayton of Cambridge, Hyde of Ware, Cutler of Framingham, Sawyer of Haverhill and Lowe of Saugus, *of the House*.

Cities. — Messrs. Parkman of Suffolk, McNary of Suffolk and Meade of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Presho of Boston, Clough of Worcester, Rosnosky of Boston, Perkins of Somerville, Appleton of Peabody, Lyford of Springfield, Meyer of Boston and McEvoy of Lowell, *of the House*.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Ray of Norfolk, McDonald of Middlesex and Champlin of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Rugg of Grafton, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Lanigan of Boston, Whitcomb of Boxborough, Hevey of Woburn, Driscoll of Springfield and Mahoney of Boston, *of the House*.

Drainage. — Messrs. Clark of Franklin, Drury of Middlesex and Eaton of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Lane of Gloucester, Low of Brockton, Fiske of Ashland, Hale of Tyringham, Dodge of Natick, Dole of Newburyport, Breen of Boston and Quinn of Boston, *of the House*.

Joint standing
committees.

Education. — Messrs. Stevens of Worcester, Read of Middlesex and Nutter of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Parkhurst of Clinton, Gardner of Nantucket, Ball of Upton, St. John of Haverhill, Roe of Worcester, Mooney of Boston, Howard of West Bridgewater and Bourne of Savoy, *of the House*.

Election Laws. — Messrs. Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, McEttrick of Suffolk, Parkman of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Sprague of Boston, Brewer of Springfield, Nickerson of Chatham, Kohlrausch of Billerica, Merritt of Chelsea, Hart of Lawrence and Rivers of Milton, *of the House*.

Expenditures. — Messrs. Southwick of Essex, Clark of Franklin and Stevens of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Rideout of Cambridge, Bartlett of Lowell, Loud of Chelsea, Crowley of Boston, Buckley of Holyoke, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Jenkins of Wellfleet, Shute of Malden and Hoyt of Haverhill, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Southwick of Essex and Gilman of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Baker of Boston, Ferren of Stoneham, Burbank of Pittsfield, Hevey of Woburn, Galloupe of Beverly, Brown of Amesbury and Fallon of Boston, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Dame of Essex and Provin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Mayhew of Tisbury, Smith of Gloucester, Atwood of Plymouth, Allen of Dartmouth, Carroll of Blackstone, Barrows of Wareham and Toomey of Boston, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Simpkins of the Cape and West of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Austin of Taunton, Keliher of Boston, Nye of Barnstable, Brock of Lynn, Holmes of Chelsea, Lougee of Salem and Fall of Ipswich, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Provin of Hampden and Southwick of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Chester of Newton, Giles of Somerville, Barrett of Concord, Buckley of Holyoke, Kelly of Boston, Brown of Boston and Bryant of Boston, *of the House*.

Labor. — Messrs. Howard of Bristol, West of Suffolk and Baker of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Jenks of Shelburne, McAnally of Lawrence, Carter of Wakefield, Easland of Great Barrington, Green of Belchertown, Ross of New Bedford, Batcheller of Sutton and Daley of Lynn, *of the House*. Joint standing committees.

Library. — Messrs. Coveney of Suffolk and Carter of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Roe of Worcester, Parkhurst of Clinton, McSolla of Boston, Simonds of Barre, Hyde of Ware, Galloupe of Beverly, Barney of New Bedford and Mahoney of Boston, *of the House*.

Liquor Law. — Messrs. Champlin of Suffolk and Reade of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Woodsum of Braintree, Perkins of Boston, Simonds of Barre, Cutler of Taunton, Stickney of Townsend, Sullivan of Boston, Halley of Lawrence and Healy of Dudley, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. Baker of Essex, Howard of Bristol and Clark of Franklin, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Coburn of Lowell, O'Neil of Chicopee, Ackley of Fitchburg, Bessom of Lynn, Heffernin of Boston, Hall of Woburn, Smith of Andover and George of Groveland, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Gilman of Middlesex, Coveney of Suffolk and Butler of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Olmstead of Boston, Pratt of Lowell, Bennett of Everett, Moriarty of Worcester, Bates of Brookline, Bartlett of Lynn, Winslow of Norwood and Coakley of Cambridge, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Read of Middlesex, Wyer of Middlesex and Coveney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Oakes of Boston, Heffernan of Fall River, Cannon of Lawrence, Jewett of North Adams, Brigham of Hudson, Crosby of Worcester, Jackson of Swampscott and Atwood of Kingston, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire, Meade of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ball of Upton, Chester of Newton, St. John of Haverhill, Bicknell of Weymouth, Leonard of Waltham, Winslow of Norwood and Fairbanks of Warren, *of the House*.

Joint standing
committees.

Printing. — Messrs. McNary of Suffolk and Provin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Barrett of Concord, Hoyt of Haverhill, Clark of Palmer, Chance of Boston, Burbank of Pittsfield, Delaney of Fall River and E. P. Clark of Boston, *of the House*.

Prisons. — Messrs. Eaton of Norfolk and Read of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Richardson of Winthrop, Burnham of Boston, Potter of Salem, Richmond of Abington, Crowell of Yarmouth, Lincoln of Raynham and Dacey of Boston, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Meade of Essex, Reade of Suffolk and Nutter of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Blanchard of Boston, Sawyer of Danvers, Clark of Palmer, Bicknell of Weymouth, Savage of Lowell, Fletcher of Belmont, Fay of Northampton and Heald of Pepperell, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Nichols of Worcester and Merritt of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Blodgett of West Brookfield, Chance of Boston, Carter of Williamsburg, Dodge of Natick, Larkin of Tolland, Friend of Gloucester and Casey of Boston, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Drury of Middlesex and Baker of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Morse of Holden, Baker of Boston, McSolla of Boston, Miller of Conway, Nourse of Bolton, Wolf of Boston and Melaven of Worcester, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Raymond of Middlesex, Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire, Mott of Bristol and Ray of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Bliss of Boston, Parker of Methuen, Hobson of Lowell, Ferren of Stoneham, Lakin of Westfield, Mellen of Worcester, Horton of Attleborough, Dyar of Boston, Burke of Quincy and Rockwell of Fitchburg, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Mott of Bristol and Carberry of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bacheller of Lynn, Taft of Worcester, Capen of Stoughton, Newell of West Newbury, Barstow of Norwell, Sweet of Norton and French of Framingham, *of the House*.

Rules. — The President and Messrs. Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, Thayer of Worcester, Parkman of Suffolk and McNary of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; The Speaker and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Charles of Boston, Gillett of Springfield, Bennett of Everett, Durant of Cambridge and Heald of Pepperell, *of the House*. Joint standing committees.

State House. — Messrs. Reade of Suffolk and Kennedy of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Harris of Boston, Blanchard of Boston, Cutler of Taunton, Francis of New Bedford, McCarthy of Boston, Bardwell of Montague and Turner of Boston, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Shaw of Essex, Kennedy of Suffolk and Arnold of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. L. M. Clark of Boston, Anderson of Cambridge, Golding of Boston, Proctor of Somerville, Norton of Boston, Wood of Boston, Dennis of Salem and Jennings of Worcester, *of the House*.

Taxation. — Messrs. Champlin of Suffolk and Stevens of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Richmond of Free-town, Crosman of Athol, Rugg of Grafton, Hinds of Webster, Meyer of Boston, Hooker of Westhampton and Sullivan of Fall River, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Thayer of Worcester and Hickox of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wilder of Leominster, Jennison of Weston, Lawrence of Cohasset, Gray of Rockland, Luther of Somerset, Quinn of Sharon and Jordan of Windsor, *of the House*.

Water Supply. — Messrs. Wyer of Middlesex, Carter of Essex and Nichols of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Howe of Gardner, Danforth of Lynnfield, Battles of Brockton, Hemenway of Shutesbury, Soule of Middleborough, Gilbride of Boston, Hoar of Boston and Ruggles of Franklin, *of the House*.

Woman Suffrage. — Messrs. Arnold of Plymouth and McEttrick of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gardner of Nantucket, Howard of Newton, Warren of Boston, Fletcher of Belmont, Brown of Boston, Fairbanks of Warren and Bardwell of Montague, *of the House*.

Joint Special Committees.

In concurrence, the Speaker appointed the following : —

Joint special
committees.

Joint Special Committee on Rapid Transit. — Messrs. West of Suffolk, Raymond of Middlesex, McNary of Suffolk and Dame of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Bennett of Everett, Blodgett of Templeton, Charles of Boston, Bacheller of Lynn, Richardson of Newburyport, Lynch of Boston, Hopewell of Cambridge, Nutting of Northampton, Graham of Quincy and Garfield of Brockton, *of the House*.

Joint Special Committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. — Messrs. Butler of Bristol, McEttrick of Suffolk and Wyer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Appleton of Peabody, Carter of Wakefield, Harding of Medfield, Giles of Somerville, McLoughlin of Milford, Luby of Fall River and O'Brien of Marlborough, *of the House*.

The Speaker appointed the following

Monitors of the House.

Monitors ap-
pointed.

First Division. — Messrs. Bliss of Boston and Buckley of Holyoke.

Second Division. — Messrs. Lakin of Westfield and Mellen of Worcester.

Third Division. — Messrs. Presho of Boston and Feren of Stoneham.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Clough of Worcester and Lynch of Boston.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Barrett of Concord and Daley of Lynn.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. McCall of Winchester and Charles of Boston.

Drawing of Seats.

Drawing of
seats.

Under the rule, the House proceeded at once to the drawing of seats. Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Nye of Barnstable and Mellen of Worcester were appointed a committee to supervise the same.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, Mr. Capen of Stoughton was allowed to select his seat before the drawing commenced.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from the His Excellency the Governor, transmitting the following documents, which were severally laid on the table, and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester: —

Seventh annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston.

Third annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners.

First report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

Report of the
Board of Police
for the city of
Boston.

Report of the
State House
Construction
Commissioners.

Report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Changes in Committees.

Changes in
committees

The Speaker announced that he had appointed Mr. Bennett of Everett as chairman of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit in place of Mr. Bliss of Boston.

Mr. Bennett of Everett was excused from serving on the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and Mr. Brewer of Springfield was appointed on said committee.

Mr. Brewer was, at his request, excused from serving on the committee on Election Laws.

Laid on the Table.

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved that a special committee of seven members of the House be appointed to investigate the Board of Police of the city of Boston, to find out their way of carrying on business and the method of issuing licenses in Boston, and report what legislation, if any, is necessary. On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the motion was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, at ten minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Members Qualified.

Messrs. Leonard of Waltham and Lowe of Saugus, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Blodgett of Templeton and Rosnosky of Boston were appointed a committee, who conducted them to the Council chamber, and they having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Members qualified.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of Samuel C. Damon and others, for an act of incorporation as the Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. To the committee on Agriculture.

College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, petition of the mayor of Salem, for authority to refund the existing indebtedness of said city, and to issue bonds, notes or scrip for said purpose. To the committee on Cities.

City of Salem.

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, petition of W. S. Far- ris and others, for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of the Boston Rubber Shoe Company, for authority to increase its capital stock.

Boston Rubber Shoe Company.

By Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, petition of Frank E. Tuttle and others, for an act of incorporation as the Veranus Land Company.

Veranus Land Company.

Orleans Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of John Kenrick and others, for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association.

Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of James H. Hopkins and others, for an act of incorporation as the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown. Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Salary of the chief clerk in the office of the State Board of Agriculture.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of Frederick H. Fowler, chief clerk in the office of the State Board of Agriculture, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Cottage City,—Edgartown,—expense of maintaining bridge and draw.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Davis Smith and others, that chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1878 may be so amended that the expense of maintaining and repairing the bridge and draw over the canal connecting Vineyard Haven harbor with Lagoon Pond, so called, shall be equally divided by the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Drunkenness.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, petition of Henry H. Faxon of Quincy, for the repeal of chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the punishment of drunkenness. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston,—

Committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be permitted to visit the public charitable institutions of the Commonwealth, also the American Asylum for Deaf and Dumb at Hartford, Conn., where there are sixty-four pupils from Massachusetts.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Millis Savings Bank.

Petition of Henry L. Millis and others that they may be incorporated as the Millis Savings Bank. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof. To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition of Smith R. Hopkins, clerk of courts for the county of Barnstable, that the salary of said official be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Elections,—
announcement
of results.

Barnstable
County,—
salary of clerk
of courts.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, at ten minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Changes in Committees.

Changes in
committees.

Mr. Healy of Dudley was excused from serving as a member of the committee on the Liquor Law, and was appointed to fill the vacancy on the committee on Election Laws.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Report of the
Board of Control of the
State Agricultural Experiment
Station.
Metropolitan
sewerage commissioners.

Ninth annual report of the Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station. To the committee on Agriculture.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

Third annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. To the committee on Drainage.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

Fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Seventh annual report of the Massachusetts Reformatory ; and

State Prison.

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison ;

Severally to the committee on Prisons.

State Almshouse at
Tewksbury.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the Trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the Trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and

State Primary
and Reform
Schools.

Thirteenth annual report of the Trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools ;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1891. To the committee on Finance. Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc.

A special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar*, or gypsy moth, was received, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report was ordered to be printed as a House document. Gypsy moth.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —
Ordered, That the committee on Rules be authorized to employ clerical assistance. Committee on Rules, —
clerical assistance.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —
Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week, it be to the following Friday at eleven A.M., and when the House adjourns on Friday of each week, it be to the following Monday at two P.M. Adjournment and hour of meeting.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, a Bill relating to mileage tickets. Read and referred to the committee on Railroads, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence. Mileage tickets.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, a Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue. Read and referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules. Treasurer authorized to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of William H. H. Andrews and others for an act of incorporation as the Roxbury Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Roxbury Trust Company.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of the city of Chelsea that Broadway Square in said city may be used as a public park or site of a public building. To the committee on Cities. Chelsea, —
Broadway Square.

Sale of fish
artificially
propagated.

By the same gentleman, petition of John F. Cook for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Notice of
damage from
defect in
highway.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of the city of Chelsea, for legislation to shorten the limit of time for a notice of an injury or damage from a defect in a public way in certain cases. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Lobsters.

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being “An Act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters.”

Manufacture
and sale of
cigarettes.

On motion of Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the limits of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Salary of the
Governor.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth.

Joint special
committee, —
public reserva-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed consisting of seven members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, who shall inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea-coasts, river-banks, hill-tops or other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Husband and
wife.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law as to permit contracts between husband and wife.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law as to permit a wife to bring an action against her husband, at law or in equity, for any matter relating to her separate property or estate. Husband and wife.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 27 of chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, by adding after the word "will" in the third line, the words "or other written instruments," so that the probate courts may, concurrently with the Supreme Judicial Court, hear and determine all matters in relation to trusts. Probate courts, — jurisdiction in matters in relation to trusts.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary. Committee on Finance, — appropriation bills.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of reducing the hours of labor for women and minors employed in mechanical and manufacturing establishments from 60 to 56 hours weekly. Hours of labor of women and minors in mechanical and manufacturing establishments.

The annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House. Report of State House Commission.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of George W. Glazier and others, that the breed of dogs known as "English bloodhounds" may be exempt from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the keeping of dogs known as bloodhounds. To the committee on Agriculture. English bloodhounds.

Petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote, of any pro- Legislative acts, — submission to the people for ratification.

posed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Vaccination. Petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws. To the committee on Public Health.

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the House, reported, in part, as follows:—

House Rules. *First.* That Rule No. 7 of the rules of the House of Representatives of 1891 be amended by striking out the word “two” and inserting in place thereof the word “three.”

Second. That Rule No. 79 of the rules of the House of Representatives of 1891 be amended by striking out the words “to refer to the next General Court,” and inserting the same words after and below the words “to amend.”

Third. That Rule No. 83 of the rules of the House of Representatives of 1891 be amended by striking out the words “or upon referring to the next General Court.”

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford.

Taken from the Table.

**Report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.**

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the first report of the Rapid Transit Commission was taken from the table and referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

**Report of State
House Con-
struction Com-
missioners.**

On motion of Mr. Harris of Boston, the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners was taken from the table and referred to the committee on State House.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, at twenty-five minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, a Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Special judgments in insolvency.

Reports Received.

Part I. of the sixteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Part I. of the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

The special report of the Auditor of Accounts of the expenditures in 1891 in several of the departments of the public service in excess of the appropriations therefor, was received and was referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Special report of the Auditor of Accounts, — expenses in several departments in excess of appropriations.

Statement of Estimates.

A statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1892 was received from the Auditor of Accounts, and was referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Statement of estimates calling for appropriations.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the East Boston District Court.

Salary of the justice of East Boston District Court.

Joint special
committee.
Rapid Transit,
— stenographer.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be authorized to employ a stenographer.

Volunteer
militia, — naval
battalion.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend an act to establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Sale of fish
artificially
propagated.

Petition of Walter L. Gilbert and 155 others that the statutes prohibiting the selling, for food, of fishes artificially propagated or maintained, during the season when the capture of such fish is forbidden, may be so amended as to permit the sale for food of trout, artificially reared, and not less than seven inches in length. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating
liquor, — vote
on the question
of granting
licenses.

Petition of Rufus S. Frost and others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, and that a decision in the negative upon the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company.

Petition of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston for authority to increase its capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Soldiers'
Home in
Massachusetts.

Petition of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts for an appropriation of \$30,000. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Salary of the
justice of
Fourth District
Court of
Eastern Middle-
sex.

Petition of Edward F. Johnson, justice of the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex, that the salary of said official may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Boston and
Maine Railroad,
— depot accom-
modations in
the city of
Lynn.

Petition of C. H. Baker that the Boston and Maine Railroad be compelled to provide suitable depot accommodations for its patrons, in the city of Lynn. To the committee on Railroads.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Presko of Boston, the motion of Mr. Chance of Boston that a committee of seven be appointed to investigate the Board of Police of the city of Boston, to find out their way of carrying on business and the method of issuing licenses in Boston, and report what legislation, if any, is necessary, was taken from the table and was rejected by a vote of 29 to 92.

Special committee, — Board of Police of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Leave of
absence of a
member.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, Mr. Lanigan of Boston was granted leave of absence for ten days.

Orders Adopted.

Committee on
Prisons.

On motion of Mr. Dacey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Returns of votes
upon the liquor
question.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to forward a statement, in print, showing the result of the returns made under section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the vote upon granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the several cities and towns; together with a statement of the number of licenses of each class issued, and the amount received for the same by classes, and the number revoked.

Resolutions Presented.

Transfer of
revenue marine.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, Resolutions relative to the transfer of the Revenue Marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department. Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, a Bill relating to the office of the Register of Deeds of the several counties. Read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Registers of deeds.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, a Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain Acts and Resolves. Read and referred to the committee on Printing, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Exchange of Acts and Resolves.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

First annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture. To the committee on Agriculture.

Report of the State Dairy Bureau.

Abstract of the returns of Registers of Deeds in the several counties in the Commonwealth for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Abstract of returns of registers of deeds.

Report of the Librarian of the State Library for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891. To the committee on the Library.

Report of the State Librarian.

Annual report of the Adjutant-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Adjutant-General.

Fifty-ninth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and the fourteenth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester ;

Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Thirty-sixth annual report of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital ;

Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

Danvers Luna-
tic Hospital.

Registration re-
port, — births,
marriages and
deaths, — libels
for divorce.

Returns of
sheriffs.

Seventh annual report of the Trustees of the West-
borough Insane Hospital ;

Forty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the
Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ; and

Fourteenth annual report of the Trustees of the Dan-
vers Lunatic Hospital ;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Insti-
tutions.

Forty-ninth Registration report. · So much thereof as
relates to births, marriages and deaths, and the returns of
medical examiners, was referred to the committee on
Public Health ; and so much thereof as relates to libels
for divorce was referred to the joint committee on the
Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Abstract of the returns of the sheriffs of the several
counties of the Commonwealth for the year ending Sept.
30, 1891. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Petitions.

A communication was received from the Secretary of
the Commonwealth transmitting the following petitions
deposited in his department, under the requirements of
chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by
chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890. The communi-
cation was read, and the petitions were severally referred,
as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Town of Med-
ford, — city
charter.

Petition of the town of Medford for a city charter. To
the committee on Cities.

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company, —
Alfred D. Fox.

Petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension
of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York
Canal Company.

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company, —
George S. Hall.

Petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of
the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal
Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said
Hall and others.

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company.

Petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an
amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod
and New York Canal Company and of its own charter.

Buzzard's Bay
Canal, —
Edward S. Ran-
dall.

Petition of Edward Scott Randall for an act of incor-
poration for building a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to
Barnstable Bay.

Petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay. Buzzard's Bay Canal, — Charles H. Porter.

Petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay. Buzzard's Bay Canal, — Lucien B. Stone.

Petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay. Buzzard's Bay Canal, — Thomas B. Inness.

Petition of Henry A. Brown and others for the construction of a bridge across the tide waters of Westport River. Bridge across Westport River.

Petition of the Mayor of Salem for authority to establish a wharf at the Salem Willows. Salem Willows.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that the provisions of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891 shall apply to shares issued under chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1890. Boston and Maine Railroad.

Petition of James H. Tyler and others for a revival of the charter of the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company. Konkapot Valley Railroad Company.

Petition of the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company for an enlargement of its power to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage. Central Massachusetts Railroad Company.

Petition of the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company for power to extend its road. Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company.

Petition of the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company for additional locations. Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company.

Petition of the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter in respect to leasing and bonding its road. Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Petition of William B. Mack and others for the incorporation of the Bay State Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs. Bay State Elevated Railway Company, — Wm. B. Mack.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew for the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs. Boston Elevated Railway Company, — Frank A. Bartholomew.

Petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of The Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston. Subway Company in Boston, — Henry C. Spalding.

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Town of Brookline, — reserved spaces in public ways.

Petition of the selectmen of Brookline that said town may be authorized to reserve spaces in public ways. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

Petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company, with power to acquire the property and franchise of the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company.

Marlborough Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Marlborough Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks to Hudson and Westborough, to increase its capital stock, and for other powers.

Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company.

Petition of J. H. Cunningham and others that the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company may be authorized to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock.

Whitman Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Whitman Street Railway Company for authority to lease its railway and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company.

East Side Street Railway Company.

Petition of the East Side Street Railway Company for authority to lease its railway and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Boundary line between Templeton and Phillipston.

Petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a readjustment of the boundary line between the towns of Templeton and Phillipston.

Division of the town of Tisbury.

Petition of Allen Look and others for a division of the town of Tisbury.

Annexation of a part of Wakefield to Melrose.

Petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose.

Division of the town of Templeton.

Petition of C. G. Davis and others for the division of the town of Templeton.

Division of the town of Longmeadow.

Petition of W. C. Pease and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow.

Annexation of a part of West Bridgewater to Brockton.

Petition of Edward H. Keith and others for the annexation of a part of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Lexington Water Company.

Petition of the Lexington Water Company for authority to increase its water supply.

Petition of the inhabitants of the city of Pittsfield for an additional water supply. City of Pittsfield, — water supply.

Petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others for incorporation as a water company for supplying the town of Medway with water. Town of Medway, — water supply.

Petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others for incorporation as a water company for supplying the town of Medfield with water. Town of Medfield, — water supply.

Petition of the Water Commissioners of Clinton for authority to increase its water supply and incur the indebtedness necessary therefor. Town of Clinton, — water supply.

Petition of C. L. Goodhue for the incorporation of the Willimansett Water Company. Willimansett Water Company.

Petition of Charles D. Morse and others for the incorporation of the Millbury Water Company. Millbury Water Company.

Petition of Artemas Merriam and others of Westminster for authority to take water from Meeting House Pond in the town of Westminster. Town of Westminster, — water supply.

Petition of the Mayor of Fitchburg that said city may be authorized to increase its water supply and incur indebtedness. City of Fitchburg, — water supply.

Petition of Henry L. Millis and others for the incorporation of the Millis Water Company. Millis Water Company.

Petition of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough for authority to increase its bonded debt for extending its water pipes. North Attleborough, Fire District, No. 1.

Petition of a committee of Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley for a special charter, for the ratification of their acts and for authority to issue bonds to meet expenses of securing a water supply. South Hadley, Fire District, No. 1.

Petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company. Willimansett Aqueduct Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, petition of George L. Clapp and 247 others for further restrictions upon the transportation of intoxicating liquor in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes. Intoxicating liquors, — transportation of liquor in no-license cities and towns.

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, petition of George H. Buck and 351 others for legislation to prevent the Intoxicating liquors, — sale of, at summer resorts.

licensing of an excessive number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
public bar.

By Mr. Simonds of Barre, petition of Charles E. Adams and 189 others for legislation to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor to be drunk on the premises, except to persons who have resorted there for food.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Samuel H.
Damon.

By Mr. Barney of New Bedford, petition of Samuel H. Damon that he may be made eligible to receive *staté* aid.

Augustus
Barnes.

By Mr. Wood of Boston, petition of Augustus Barnes that he may be made eligible to receive state aid.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Newton.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, petition of John C. Kennedy, justice of the police court of Newton, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Town of
Revere,—
cellar grade.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, petition of the selectmen of the town of Revere for authority to establish a cellar grade. To the committee on Towns.

Defect in public
way caused by
snow and ice.

By Mr. Garfield of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton; by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, petition of the city of Newburyport; and by Mr. Lane of Gloucester, petition of the city of Gloucester,—severally, for legislation to shorten the time for notice of damage from defect in public ways caused by snow and ice.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company that the provisions of chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to said company, may be defined and the company enabled to carry the same into effect; also that said company may be empowered to mortgage its property, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Kilduff, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Fire District
No. 1 of
Attleborough.

A petition, presented by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough and the selectmen of said town that said district may be au-

thorized to take an additional water supply and incur indebtedness, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Horton, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

On motion of Mr. Connolly of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, so as to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections. Elections,—
canvassing
votes.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that it shall not apply to Mutual Boiler Insurance Companies. Mutual Boiler
Insurance Com-
panies.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk. Salaries of the
County Com-
missioners of
Norfolk
County.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, for the purpose of reducing the fees for the naturalization of aliens. Naturalization.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 273 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the district court of Southern Norfolk, so that the dates of holding the court in the towns of Stoughton and Canton, respectively, may be particularly specified. District court of
Southern Nor-
folk.

Rate of interest
on small loans.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so that the rate of interest for small loans shall not exceed one per cent. per month.

Id.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to small loans, that it shall be a penal offence to charge or receive a greater rate of interest than allowed by law, or for any other violation of the provisions of said act.

Papers from the Senate.

Salary of Jus-
tice of police
court of
Marlborough.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Marlborough.

Grade
crossings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending the law so that persons owning land that cannot be conveniently approached without crossing a railroad shall, when such land has been cut off, without compensation to the owners, have a crossing maintained by the railroad.

Id.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out in the eighth line thereof the words "directors of the company" and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that the clause, as amended, shall read as follows: "*Provided, however*, that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the railroad commissioners to such change of grade shall first be obtained."

Id.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however*, that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained."

Report of the
Cattle Commis-
sioners.

The annual report of the Cattle Commissioners was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor with the advice of the Council during the year 1891 was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons. List of pardons granted by the Governor.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service. Executive stenographer.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of John Reade that Mary Powers may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs. Mary Powers.

Petition of Charles H. Smith, treasurer of the county of Norfolk, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service. Salary of the treasurer of Norfolk County.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith. (House, No. 7.) Appropriation bills.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year. (House, No. 6.) Id.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year. (House, No. 8.) Id.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue ought to pass. (House, No. 9.) Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading. Treasurer authorized to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, at twenty-eight minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

United States
Fish Commis-
sion,—Squam
Pond.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a request of the United States Fish Commissioner for the enactment of a law placing the waters of Squam Pond, a great pond within the limits of the Commonwealth, under the control of the United States Fish Commission. The message was read and with the accompanying documents was referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Committee on
Water Supply.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardner, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions Presented.

Naming a new
war ship Mar-
blehead.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, Resolutions relative to giving the name of Marblehead to the new warship now building at South Boston. Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report Received.

Report of Com-
missioner on
Public Records
of Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

The fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties was received and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, petition of E. T. Rowell of Ayer, change of name of the Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell to the Ayer Home for Young Women and Children. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell.

By Mr. French of Framingham, petition of Margaret Weise, that she may be made eligible to receive state aid. To the committee on Military Affairs. Margaret Weise.

By Mr. Newell of West Newbury, petition of Richard Newell, for the relief of the city of Haverhill and the towns of Amesbury, Merrimac and West Newbury in the matter of the maintenance of Rocks Bridge. To the committee on Roads and Bridges. Haverhill, Amesbury, Merrimac and West Newbury, — Rocks Bridge.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit safe deposit, loan and trust companies from doing a savings bank business. Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian ballot act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto. Caucuses, — Australian system of voting.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimack River. Merrimack River, — fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, —

Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending chapter 249 of the Acts of the year 1888, that the fraternal beneficiary corporations, organized under the laws of other States, transacting only the business defined in section nine of said chapter, may be admitted to transact business in this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, —

Protection of skilled labor, — registration of labels.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will tend to the better protection of skilled labor and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands, or devices covering the product of such labor of associations or unions of workingmen or women.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —

Rate of taxation in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of limiting the rate of taxation in towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Public loan offices.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing or requiring all cities, or cities having more than a certain specified population, so establish and maintain public loan offices, for the purpose of loaning money on pledges of personal property and other collateral securities in the manner in which the same is usually done in what are known as pawnbrokers' shops, and of authorizing such cities to borrow on special loans such amounts of money in such manner, and under such restrictions, as any act founded on this order may provide, for the purpose of carrying into effect the establishment and maintenance of such loan offices; and generally the expediency of all other measures and steps necessary or incidental to the proper and successful establishment of such loan offices.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, —

Attachment of shares of foreign corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation authorizing the attachment of shares of foreign corporations doing business in this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, —

Rights in burial lots.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chap-

ter 302 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the rights of the widow and family of a deceased person in his family burial lot, so that said provisions shall apply to lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns as well as in cities.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of repealing the statute provisions requiring executors and administrators to give notice of their appointments, and to file in court affidavits thereof.

Executors and administrators, — notice of appointment.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General and report on the same.

Examination of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society for authority to hold additional property. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

Petition of George F. Pratt, treasurer of the county of Bristol, that, in addition to his salary, he may be allowed a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum for clerical assistance. To the committee on Public Service.

Clerical assistance to treasurer of Bristol County.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the payment of state and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith. (House, No. 10.)

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature. (House, No. 11.)

Appropriation
bill.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes. (Ho use No. 16.)

Id.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund. (House, No. 13.)

Id.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses. (House, No. 14.)

Taken from the Files.

Town of
Orange,—
water supply.

On motions of Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, the petition of the special committee of the town of Orange that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Orders of the
day.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year (House, No. 6);

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 7); and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year (House No. 8); and the

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (House No. 9);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The annual report of the Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was received from the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General was received and was referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence : —

Report of the Treasurer and Receiver General.

So much thereof as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation, to the committee on Taxation ;

Exemption from taxation of State and municipal securities.

So much thereof as relates to the collateral legacy and succession tax, to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency ;

Taxation of legacies and successions.

So much thereof as relates to weights and measures, to the joint committee on the Judiciary ; and

Weights and measures.

The residue of the report, to the committee on Expenditures.

The abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts was received and was referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts.

So much thereof as relates to the salary of the State Aid Commissioner was referred to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence, and the residue of the report was referred to the committee on Finance.

Salary of the State Aid Commissioner.

Petition Presented.

Town of Wakefield, — municipal lighting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, of the selectmen of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, was referred, on motion of Mr. Carter, to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — votes for representatives.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to obtain and furnish to the House the vote for representatives in the several representative districts of the Commonwealth, on Nov. 3, 1891, and that the same be printed as a House document.

Daily papers for the use of members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House one copy of each of the daily papers published in each city of the Commonwealth, and one daily paper from each town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

City of Malden, — parks.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of James Pierce, Mayor of Malden, that said city may be authorized to incur indebtedness for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law. To the committee on Cities.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

By Mr. Kelly of Boston, petition of Charles P. Stockwell, that the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York may be prohibited from issuing policies in this State without a medical examination, or without the written knowledge or consent of the person insured. To the committee on Insurance.

Luther F. Chamberlain.

By Mr. Perkins of Somerville, petition of G. W. Perkins for relief to Private Luther F. Chamberlain, injured while doing militia duty.

Sidney Herrick.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, petition of H. C. Sparhawk that Sidney Herrick may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Fiske of Ashland, petition of J. E. Woods and others of Ashland for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates. To the committee on Railroads.

Railroad fares,—
500-mile tickets
at mileage rates.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Mooney of Boston, petition of W. L. Mooney, that the Holyhood Cemetery Association may be enabled to take, hold and convey certain real estate, and that its acts may be ratified. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Holyhood
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead,—

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that the same shall read: "Whoever sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, either directly or indirectly, a lobster less than nine inches in length, measuring from one extreme of the body extended to the other, exclusive of claws or feelers, shall forfeit five dollars for every such lobster; and in all prosecutions under this section, the possession of any lobster not of the required length shall be prima facie evidence to convict."

Lobsters.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of enacting a law that all fees for licenses to sell intoxicating liquor shall hereafter be paid into the treasuries of the several counties.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
license fees.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation regulating the procedure by and before boards of public officers and commissioners, so that the public and representatives of the press shall not be excluded from hearings or proceedings in which testimony is taken affecting the rights or privileges of private persons or public interests.

Procedure by
and before
boards of public
officers and
commissioners.

The following order, offered by Mr. Smith of Andover,—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to provide for

Taxation of
street railways.

the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies to the cities and towns in which or through which they run or operate; the same to be assessed by the assessors of said cities and towns upon the property of said companies, both real and personal, situated in said cities and towns, including the rails and sleepers with attachments as laid and used, or upon the trips actually made, or upon the cars actually operated, or upon all as aforesaid, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the words "committee on Taxation" and inserting in place thereof the words "Joint special committee on Rapid Transit." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Warren of Boston :—

Justices of the
Supreme Judicial Court,—
salaries.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court fifteen hundred dollars each, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the words "Committee on the Judiciary" and inserting in place thereof the words "Committee on Public Service." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Pensioning of
police officers in
certain cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of enacting legislation to provide for pensioning members of the police departments in cities of the Commonwealth containing seventy-five thousand inhabitants or more so as to provide: (1) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department in such city who has served twenty years or more therein; (2) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department in any such city who has been permanently injured while in the discharge of his duties therein, through no fault of his; (3) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department in any such city who has reached the age of sixty years; and (4) for the payment of such pensions from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriations, of any such city.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of relieving women from paying any tax as a qualification for voting in elections for members of school committees. Exemption of women from paying a poll tax.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of granting to women the right to vote in cities and towns for municipal and town officers. Woman suffrage.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide a remedy in cases of alleged violation of law by fraternal beneficiary corporations, organizations, associations and societies, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance. Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of George Dutton and others that a health college may be chartered and endowed by the State. To the committee on Education. Health college.

Petition of Arthur B. Champlin that John Charles may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs. John Charles.

Petition of the county commissioners of the county of Essex that the compensation of said officials may be increased. To the committee on Public Service. Salaries of the county commissioners of Essex County.

Taken from the Files.

On motions of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the petition of a special committee of the town of Webster, that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence. Town of Webster,—water supply.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith (House No. 10) ; Orders of the day.

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Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature (House No. 11) ;

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund (House, No. 13) ;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses (House, No. 14) ; and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes (House, No. 16) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year (House, No. 6) ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 7) ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year (House, No. 8) ; and the

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (House, No. 9) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, at twenty-seven minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 21, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence : —

So much thereof as relates to the ventilation of school buildings, to the committee on Public Health ;

So much thereof as relates to violations of the fish and game law and recommendations of amendment therein, to the committee on Fisheries and Game ;

So much thereof as relates to the disposition of forfeited liquors, to the committee on the Liquor Law ;

So much thereof as relates to the protection of human life in case of fire and the reports of detectives in miscellaneous criminal cases, to the joint committee on the Judiciary ; and

So much thereof as relates to women as factory inspectors, the inspection department, and enforcement of inspection laws in factories and in mechanical, manufacturing and mercantile establishments, the employment of children, the sweating-system, the weavers' fine bill, the guarding of machinery, security of elevators and report of accidents, to the committee on Labor.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the annual report of the Topographical Survey Commission. The message was read and, with the accompanying document, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (House, No. 18.)

Report of the
Chief of the
District Police.

Ventilation of
school build-
ings.

Fish and game
laws.

Disposition of
forfeited
liquors.

Protection of
life in case of
fire.

Women as
factory inspec-
tors, — inspec-
tion of factories,
— employment
of children, —
sweating-sys-
tem, — weavers,
— machinery, —
elevators.

Message from
the Governor,
report of the
Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.

Introduced on Leave.

Use of check-lists in town meetings.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, a Bill relating to the use of check-lists in town meetings. Read and referred to the committee on Election Laws, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Cremation.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, a Bill authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders Adopted.

Committee on the Library.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of changing the name of the joint standing committee on the Library to "committee on Libraries."

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjournment and hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.; and that hereafter when the House adjourns on Thursday, it be to meet on the following Friday, at one o'clock P.M.

Petitions.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Groveland bridge.

By Mr. George of Groveland, petition of M. Millison and others that the town of Groveland may be relieved from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland Bridge. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Notice of damage from defect in highways.

By Mr. Proctor of Somerville, petition of the city of Somerville for legislation to shorten the time for notice of damage from defect in public ways caused by snow and ice.

Admission of children to places of amusement.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of the General Agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children at shows, so that children

under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth.

Schools,—study
of State Con-
stitution.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts.

Town elections,
— counting
of ballots
during progress
of vote.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, as amended by chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, by striking out the word “fifty,” in section eight, and inserting the word “eighty-five;” also by striking out the words “no portion of said securities shall be drawn except upon a requisition signed by three-fourths of the executive committee, or other officers corresponding thereto, and endorsed by the Insurance Commissioner,” and inserting the following: “No portion of said securities shall be drawn except upon a requisition signed and sworn to by the president, secretary and treasurer of the corporation, or officers corresponding thereto, setting forth a complete list of the persons to whom the matured endowments are to be paid and the amount to be paid to each person, and setting forth that the money thus withdrawn is to be used for the purposes of the trust. Any officer of said corporation swearing to a false statement shall be held guilty of violation of the law, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than three months, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Report of the
Gypsy Moth
Commission.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five thousand copies of the report of the Gypsy Moth Commission for public distribution.

Map of congressional
districts.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred additional copies of the map accompanying the report of the committee appointed at the last session for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and showing the present congressional districts of the Commonwealth.

State board of
road engineers.

On motion of Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of establishing a State board of road engineers, who shall have supervision of the construction and repairs of all roads in this Commonwealth leading from town to town, town to city, or city to town; and of providing for a mileage payment, from the State treasury, to cities and towns constructing such roads in accordance with the orders, and to the approval of said State board, and of providing proper compensation for said board, and allowances for its expenses and its necessary assistants.

Commissioner
of roads and
bridges.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment of a commissioner of highways and bridges for the inspection and supervision of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, whose duty shall be to furnish information and advice to the cities and towns in relation to highways and bridges.

School tax.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of changing the present system of support of the public schools, so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth, by including the amount necessary for the support of schools in the State tax and distributing such amount among the various towns and cities in proportion to the number of children in attendance upon the public schools of such towns and cities.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts.

Area of fire districts.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of more stringent legislation on the subject of the admission of children to shows and places of amusement, and such amendments of chapter 446 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to said subject, as shall lead to the better enforcement of said law.

Admission of children to places of amusement.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a revision of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884, and of additions thereto and amendments thereof, relative to ascertaining what citizens are entitled to the right of suffrage, so as to provide for a more careful and thorough registration of voters and a better enforcement of the existing laws relative thereto.

Registration of voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a revision of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884, and of additions thereto and amendments thereof, relative to ascertaining what citizens are entitled to the right of suffrage, so as to provide for a careful system of registration and a thorough re-registration throughout the State.

Id.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth, as occasion may demand, in the fulfilment of its duties.

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of J. F. J. Otterson and others, that the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of clerk of police court of Marlborough.

Petition of the president and secretary of the Massachusetts Women's Christian Temperance Union for an act giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in any such city or town. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Intoxicating liquors, — woman suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Bulletin of
committee
hearings.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park from the joint committee on Rules, on an order, a Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings. (House, No. 17.) Read, and on motion of Mr. Powers the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second time and ordered to a third reading; and, under a further suspension of the rules moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police. (House, No. 19.)

Id.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 20.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
day.

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 10);

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature (House, No. 11);

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund (House, No. 13);

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses (House, No. 14); and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes (House, No. 16);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of Grafton, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of East Bridgewater. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

East Bridgewater, — relief for certain veterans.

Report received.

The annual report of the Attorney-General was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence : —

Report of the Attorney-General.

So much thereof as relates to the short term endowment orders, to the committee on Insurance ;

Short term endowment orders.

So much thereof as relates to the lobby law, to the joint committee on Rules ;

Lobby.

So much thereof as relates to the failure of corporations to make tax returns and recommendation of alteration in the law, to the committee on Taxation ; and

Tax returns of corporations.

The residue of report to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of the chairman of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation enabling said city to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston, — side walks.

- Truant schools.** By Mr. Clough of Worcester, petition of Francis A. Harrington, mayor of the city of Worcester, for legislation authorizing transfers from local truant schools to county truant schools. To the committee on Education.
- Sale of trout artificially propagated.** By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, petition of the selectmen of Blandford and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated, in certain cases. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Michael F. Doherty.** By Mr. Sundberg of Boston, petition of John F. Sundberg that the widow of Michael F. Doherty may be made eligible to receive State aid.
- Shubael C. Norton.** By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Shubael C. Norton that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.
- George H. Gould.** By Mr. Gilbride of Boston, petition of M. B. Gilbride that George H. Gould may be made eligible to receive State aid.
- John Ord, Jr.** By Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of John Ord, Jr., that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.
Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.
- Salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of Boston.** By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of Oscar F. Timlin, third assistant clerk of the municipal court of Boston, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.
- Taxation of municipal bonds.** By Mr. Meyer of Boston, petition of the city of Boston for legislation which shall exempt municipal bonds from taxation, and shall abolish all forms of double taxation. To the committee on Taxation.
- Quincy Water Company.** By Mr. Graham of Quincy, petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to increase its capital stock.
- Id.** By the same gentleman, petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water.
Severally to the committee on Water Supply.
- Intoxicating liquors, — woman suffrage.** By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Susan S. Fessenden for legislation granting to women equal facilities with men in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of liquor, and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, petition of the city of Springfield for legislation to shorten the time for notice of damage from defect in public ways caused by snow and ice. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Notice of
damage from
defect in high-
ways.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of codifying the laws relating to elections so as to provide a more uniform and convenient code.

Codification
of laws relat-
ing to elections.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the laws relative to registration of voters as to provide that there shall be during the year 1892 a new or re-registration or voters, in view of the repeal of the constitutional provision relative to the poll-tax, in cities of not less than twenty thousand inhabitants

Registration of
voters.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and acts in amendment thereof as to allow a recovery by the widow, or next of kin, of an employee who, if he had survived, would have been entitled to recover in his own name, notwithstanding the fact that his death was not instantaneous, or that it ensued only after conscious suffering, — in accordance with the recommendation in the Governor's address to the Legislature in January, 1890.

Employers'
liability.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth.

Salaries of
district attor-
neys.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing another assistant clerk of the superior court for the county of Suffolk, and fixing his compensation.

Superior court,
— assistant
clerk.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, —

Railroad tickets.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets, whether stopping or not.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Railroads, —
electricity as a
motive power.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 112 of the Public Statutes and laws amendatory thereof, so as to grant railroads the right to use electricity as a motive power and for purposes incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Street railways,
— appliances
for deadening
noise.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of providing by law that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance, approved in writing by the board of Railroad Commissioners, for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car, as is now provided in the case of railroad corporations using any vacuum brakes or safety valves.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Tenure of
office of police
officers in
towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Melaven of Worcester, —

Counterfeiting
of labels, stamps
and trademarks.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 63 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 104 of the Acts of 1890, relating to the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade marks, by striking out in the first line of said section 63 as amended, the words "knowingly and wilfully," so that the section shall read as follows:

"Section 63. Whoever forges or counterfeits, or causes or procures to be forged or counterfeited, upon goods,

wares or merchandise, a private label, stamp or trade-mark of a mechanic, or manufacturer, or labor and trade association, with intent to defraud the purchaser, or manufacturer, or labor and trade association of any goods, wares, or merchandise whatever, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars."

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending chapter 360 of the Acts of the year 1891 that its provisions shall not apply to fraternal beneficiary corporations transacting the business defined in chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888 and acts in amendment thereof.

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting persons from employing women or minors for the purpose of manufacturing, between the hours of ten o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, in the same manner in which corporations and manufacturing establishments are now prohibited from so doing.

Hours of labor
of women and
minors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing 1,500 extra copies of the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, to be distributed under the direction of said commissioner.

Report of the
Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes, Towns
and Counties.

A report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage, was referred, in concurrence, as follows :

Report of the
State Board of
Health.

So much thereof as relates to water supply, to the committee on Water Supply ; and

Water supply.

So much as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, to the committee on Drainage.

Sewerage and
sewage dis-
posal.

A petition of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital for an appropriation of \$50,000 for repairs and improvements at said institution was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Northampton
Lunatic
Hospital.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge from the committee on Finance, on the report of the Auditor of Accounts of the expenditures in 1891 in excess of the appropriations

Appropriation
bill.

therefor, a Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891. (House, No. 21.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police (House, No. 19) ; and

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth (House, No. 20) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, at sixteen minutes past eleven o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Report of the
Commissioners
on Inland Fish-
eries and Game.

The fourth annual report of the State Pension Agent was received and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Report of
State Pension
Agent.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Bennett of Everett: —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments be instructed to sit jointly with the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, in the consideration of the constitutional question and proposed amendment to the constitution, submitted by the Rapid Transit Commission in their first report, and now before the committee on Rapid Transit.

Committee on
Constitutional
Amendment, —
joint special
committee on
Rapid Transit.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow: —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of abolishing Rule No. 28, or of so amending it as to take away from the committee on Rules its present power over legislation; also that the committee on Rules consider the expediency of employing a bill clerk.

House Rule 28,
— committee on
Rules.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Evergreen
Cemetery in
Stoughton.

By Mr. Capen of Stoughton, petition of Newton Talbot and others for incorporation as a cemetery association. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Use of tobacco
by minors.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation to prevent the use of tobacco by persons under sixteen years of age. To the committee on Public Health.

Taxation of
municipal
bonds.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for the removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by cities or towns of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Taxation.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of Angeline Worswick and others of Holyoke for legislation giving to all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Connolly of Fall River, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
liquor licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section one of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, by substituting for the words "one for each one thousand" the words "one for each five hundred," in lines five and six of said section.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Boston,
— L Street
bridge.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an extension of time for the completion of the L Street bridge to Dec. 31, 1892. To the committee on Cities.

Petition of H. S. Carruth, chairman of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for the year 1891, for an amendment of the laws relating to the conduct of elections. To the committee on Election Laws. Conduct of elections.

Petition of the Lowell Electric Light Corporation that it may be authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$200,000 and mortgage its property and franchise to secure the same. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Lowell Electric Light Corporation.

Petition of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company for authority to issue bonds secured by mortgage to discharge its funded and other indebtedness and further equip its railroad. To the committee on Street Railways. Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses. Appropriation bill.
(House, No. 26.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891 (House, No. 21) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Orders of the day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police (House, No. 19) ; and

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth (House, No. 20) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, at fourteen minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

Report of the
Tax Commis-
sioner and
Commissioner
of Corporations.

The annual report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

General corpo-
ration laws,—
change of
names of corpo-
rations,—
foreign corpora-
tions.

So much thereof as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations, and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs; and

The residue of the report to the committee on Taxation.

Part II. of the
16th Annual
Report of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

Part II. of the sixteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Number of reg-
istered voters
and number of
ballots cast at
the last State
and city elec-
tions.

The second annual report of the number of assessed polls and the number of registered voters at the dates of the State, city and town elections in the year 1891, and the total number of persons who voted at such elections in each city, town and voting precinct in the Commonwealth, in accordance with the provisions of section 118 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Commissioner
of Public
Records.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records.

Read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, a Bill relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Revocation of wills in certain cases.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments be instructed to sit jointly with the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, in consideration of the constitutional question and the proposed amendment to the constitution, submitted by the Rapid Transit Commission in their first report, and now before the committee on Rapid Transit.

Committee on Constitutional Amendments,—joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield moved to amend by inserting, after the words "Constitutional Amendments," the words "and the committees on Taxation, Street Railways, Cities, Railroads and the Judiciary." After debate the amendment was rejected, and the order was rejected by a vote of 50 to 121.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, laid on the table, by a vote of 91 to 57 : —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of abolishing Rule No. 28, or of so amending it as to take away from the committee on Rules its present power over legislation ; also, that the committee on Rules consider the expediency of employing a bill clerk.

House Rule, No. 28,—committee on Rules.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester : —

Ordered, That the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth be required to transmit to this House his opinion with reasons therefor, upon the following questions of law as to the interpretation of the words "a majority of the members of each branch of the General Court" occurring in the amendment to the constitution of the Common-

Attorney-General,—quorum of the House of Representatives.

wealth, adopted and ratified by the people at the general election in November, 1891, relative to the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court : —

1. Do the words “majority of the members” mean a majority of the whole constitutional membership, — that is, a majority of the whole possible number of members as that number is established by the constitution?

2. Do the words “majority of the members” mean a majority of those duly elected?

3. Do the words “majority of the members” mean a majority of all those duly elected, excluding from computation those who die, resign, have failed to qualify, or become disqualified after election?

4. Do the words “majority of the members” mean a majority of those duly elected and qualified?

5. Do the words “majority of the members” mean a majority of all those duly elected and qualified, excluding from computation those who die, resign, or become disqualified after qualification?

6. What constitutes a legal quorum under the constitution for the organization of the House, — that is, what number must be present and vote in the organization of the House before any business can be transacted?

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

City of Boston, — salaries of common councilmen.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of the President of the Common Council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid to members of said common council. To the committee on Cities.

Election of senators and representatives.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry, for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Election of municipal officers.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers.

Elections, — certificates of nomination.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of the State central committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political

party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Andrews of Essex, petition of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made part of the judicial district, under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester.

Town of Manchester, — city of Gloucester.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, petition of Marcellus Coggan and others that the sitting of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex may be changed.

Sittings of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers. To the committee on Labor.

Laborers.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, petition of the mayor of Haverhill and 723 others that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class or other license shall be granted.

Intoxicating liquors, — agents in no-license cities and towns.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law.

Intoxicating liquors, — prohibitory law.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, petition of the Home for Aged Men for leave to hold additional property. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Home for Aged Men in Boston.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of the county commissioners of Dukes County for legislation defining their duties in respect to the appointment of a draw tender for the bridge connecting Holmes' Hole Harbor with Lagoon Pond. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

County of Dukes County, — bridge connecting Holmes' Hole Harbor with Lagoon pond.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of the Mayor of Malden that municipal bonds may be exempt from taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of municipal bonds.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law

Municipal coal yards.

enabling cities and town to establish coal yards and supply fuel to their citizens at cost. To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Notice of defect
in public ways
caused by snow
and ice.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, petition of the city of Newton for legislation to shorten the time for notice of injuries arising from defect in a public highway caused by snow or ice. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Cranberries.

A petition, presented by Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, of Charles Bassett and others of Chatham and Harwich for an amendment of the law relative to the cultivation of cranberries, so as to permit the building of dams across navigable streams, in certain cases, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Methuen Water
Company.

A petition presented by Mr. Parker of Methuen, of C. H. Jenney and others for incorporation as the Methuen Water Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Parker the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, —

Cities and
towns, —
sewers.

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of giving to cities and towns a wider latitude in determining the manner and time of paying for the construction of sewers.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, —

Gifts of books
to pupils in pub-
lic schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to allow

pupils, on leaving or graduating from the public schools, to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time.

On motion of Mr. Bessom of Lynn. —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as may prevent fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections. Elections, —
marking of
ballots.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston. —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 60 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to supervisors of registration, and of providing by law for additional supervisors to attend all sessions of the board of registrars in any city or town, or in the city of Boston all sessions of the assistant registrars in all the wards thereof, and of making any other changes or improvements in the laws whereby fraudulent registration may be prevented and detected. Elections, —
registration
of voters.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston. —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sailboat. Wild fowl.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield. —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 352 of the Acts of the year 1886, providing for the compensation of members of the Legislature, so that it shall read as follows: "Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive \$750 for the regular annual session for which he is elected, and two dollars for every mile of ordinary travelling distance from his place of abode to the place of the sitting of the General Court; and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall receive double the compensation provided for members." Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston. —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting within this Commonwealth the manufacture of garments under the so-called sweating Sweating sys-
tem.

system and of prohibiting the sale of garments so manufactured.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to grant one liquor license for each five hundred inhabitants of all cities and towns voting yes on the license question.

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick, —

State Prison, —
control of indus-
tries.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation which shall more fully limit and control the industries carried on in the State prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, —

Street railways,
— protection of
life.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their cars the most approved pattern of fenders for the protection of limb and life.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Insolvent
debtors.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 83 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relative to courts of insolvency, so that the property and estate of a debtor, by him acquired subsequently to his insolvency, shall not be subject to an execution in cases mentioned in said section.

The following order, offered by Mr. Chance of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, pending the question on its adoption, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Sweating
system.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of passing a Resolve urging upon Congress the importance of passing a law regulating commerce between the States by prohibiting the transportation from one State to another of clothing manufactured under the sweating system so-called, unless each garment so manufactured is marked with a label bearing the name of the manufacturer and place of manufacture; and of providing a proper inspection system to secure the enforcement of the law.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, pending the question on its adoption, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election or appointment of a State board of road engineers, comprising one member from each county, excepting the county of Suffolk, who shall have supervision of the construction, maintenance and repairs of all public roads, bridges and dams within the towns of the Commonwealth, with provision for compensation and necessary expenses from the State treasury or by the various counties, as may be deemed expedient. State Board of
Road Engineers.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885 by inserting after the word "Act" in the third line thereof the words "and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes." Also of amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885 by inserting after the word "retail" in the third line thereof the words "or expose or keep for sale," and by inserting after the word "dollars" in the sixth line of said section the words "or imprisonment for not less than one or more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment." Intoxicating
liquors,—
druggists and
apothecaries.

Reports :

Of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary :

On the annual report of the State House Commission, on the work performed and expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms ; and State House
Commission.

On the report of the State House Construction Commissioners ; State House
Construction
Commissioners.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Harris of Boston.

A Bill to authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the purpose of paying or refunding its City of Salem,—
indebtedness.

indebtedness (Senate, No. 6), reported on a petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Carney Hos-
pital.

A petition of the president of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Commonwealth was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

House rules.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the House, reported recommending as the rules of the House for the current year, reserving the right to report further on the subject of quorum, the rules of the last session with the amendments made by the House on Jan. 14, 1892, but otherwise unchanged. (Mr. Bennett of Everett dissents from so much of the report as relates to Rule No. 28.)

Contracts
between hus-
band and wife.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law as to permit contracts between husband and wife.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department. (House, No. 22.)

Id.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund. (House, No. 23.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Files.

Part II. of the
thirty-sixth
annual report of
the insurance
commissioner.

On motions of Mr. Chester of Newton, Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses (House, No. 26) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. ^{Orders of the day.}

The Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891 (House, No. 21) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, at five minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

Member qualified.

Mr. Halley of Lawrence, a member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Hart of Lawrence was appointed a committee, who conducted Mr. Halley to the council chamber, and, he having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Report Received.

Report of the Board of Education.

The fifty-fifth annual report of the Board of Education, together with the fifty-fifth annual report of the secretary of the board, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

System of police for the Commonwealth.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, a Bill to establish a system of police for the Commonwealth. Read and referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted :—

Opinion of the Attorney-General, — quorum of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth be required to transmit to this House his opinion, with reasons therefor, upon the following questions of law as to the interpretation of the words "a majority of the members of each branch of the General Court," occurring in the amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, adopted and ratified by the people at the general election in November, 1891, relative to the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum in each branch of the General Court : —

1. Do the words "majority of the members" mean a majority of the whole constitutional membership,—that is, a majority of the whole possible number of members as that number is established by the Constitution?

2. Do the words "majority of the members" mean a majority of those duly elected?

3. Do the words "majority of the members" mean a majority of all those duly elected, excluding from computation those who die, resign, have failed to qualify, or become disqualified after election?

4. Do the words "majority of the members" mean a majority of those duly elected and qualified?

5. Do the words "majority of the members" mean a majority of all those duly elected and qualified, excluding from computation those who die, resign, or become disqualified after qualification?

6. What constitutes a legal quorum under the Constitution for the organization of the House,—that is, what number must be present and vote in the organization of the House before any business can be transacted?

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, petition of Howland Dogs. Holmes and others of Lexington for legislation to prevent dogs from going at large unless securely muzzled. To the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, petition of the Gloucester Board of Trade that the Secretary of the Navy be requested to give the name of "Gloucester" to one of the war ships in process of construction. To the committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Gray of Rockland, petition of C. G. Turner and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of Susan S. Fessenden that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of Josiah H. Horton and others for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Naming a new war ship Gloucester.

Sale of trout artificially propagated.

Intoxicating liquors,—agencies for the sale of.

Eastham Cemetery Association.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, petition of Henry L. Whittlesey, clerk of the police court of Newton, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the second clerk of the chief of the district police.

By Mr. Brock of Lynn, petition of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the judge of probate and insolvency in the county of Franklin.

By Mr. Jenks of Shelburne, petition of Chester C. Conant, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Marlborough Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of George O. Brigham and other residents of Westborough; and by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, petitions of Moses Bigelow and others, of George A. Howe and others, and of M. Quirk and others, — severally in aid of the petition of the Marlborough Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks to Hudson and Westborough.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Fitchburg Street Railway Company, — Leominster Street Railway Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, of the Fitchburg Street Railway Company and the Leominster Street Railway Company, that they may be authorized to consolidate, or that either of said corporations may purchase or lease the franchise and property of the other, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Rockwell, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Elections, — marking of ballots.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots, instead of the cross as now required, to the end that a duplication of marks by dishonest counters may be prevented.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes as relates to the taking of fish in the Merrimack River. Merrimack River, — fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Bryant of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as shall permit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days. Intoxicating liquors, — sale of on election days in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to commitments to lunatic hospitals, by striking out in the third and fourth lines the words "mayor or one or more of the selectmen," and inserting in their place the words "overseers of the poor or to their agents or secretary in all cities and towns, excepting in the city of Boston said notice shall be given to the commissioners of public institutions or their secretary," so as to read "*Section 14.* A person applying for the commitment or for the admission of a lunatic to a State lunatic hospital, under the provisions of this chapter, shall first give notice in writing to the overseers of the poor or to their agents or secretary in all cities and towns, excepting in the city of Boston said notice shall be given to the commissioners of public institutions or their secretary, of the place where the lunatic resides, of his intention to make such application; and satisfactory evidence that such notice has been given shall be produced to the judge in cases of commitment." Commitments to lunatic hospitals.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for additional clerical assistance for the municipal court of the city of Boston, for keeping the records of investigations made by the probation officers. City of Boston, — clerical assistance for the municipal court.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the payment of fees for arrests for drunkenness, when such arrests are made in Drunkenness.

towns having no salaried police officers or constables, in cases where the persons arrested are released from custody without being brought to trial.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Superior court,
—equity docket.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1884, relative to equity cases, so as to provide that such cases shall be entered upon a separate docket to be called the equity docket, instead of being entered upon the same docket as other cases in the superior court.

The following orders, laid over from yesterday, were severally adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

State board of
road engineers.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election or appointment of a State board of road engineers, comprising one member from each county, — excepting the county of Suffolk, — who shall have supervision of the construction, maintenance and repairs of all public roads, bridges and dams within the towns of the Commonwealth, with provision for compensation and necessary expenses from the State Treasury or by the various counties, as may be deemed expedient.

Sweating sys-
tem.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of passing a resolve urging upon Congress the importance of passing a law regulating commerce between the States by prohibiting the transportation from one State to another of clothing manufactured under the sweating-system, so called, unless each garment so manufactured is marked with a label bearing the name of the manufacturer and place of manufacture; and of providing a proper inspection system to secure the enforcement of the law.

Papers from the Senate.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of continuing, for an additional period of four years, the annual appropriation of \$10,000 to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as provided by chapter 12 of the Resolves of the year 1889.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places within

the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of a law for the appointment of a State highway commission and defining its duties and powers.

State Highway
Commission.

A report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Province laws.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of George A. Barnard that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

George A.
Barnard.

Petition of William N. Davenport and others for an increase of salary of the justice of the police court of Marlborough. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Marlborough.

Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of I. P. Hutchinson for the passage of a bill relating to mileage tickets on railroads. To the committee on Railroads.

Mileage tickets
on railroads.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that said city may be authorized to borrow \$300,000 in addition to the amount already authorized, for the purpose of increasing its water supply and of extending its water works.

City of Wor-
cester, — water
supply.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge that said city be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$500,000.

City of Cam-
bridge, — water
bonds.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton that the right of said city to take and hold water from certain sources be reaffirmed and established, and that said city be authorized to increase its water loan.

City of Taun-
ton, — water
supply.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

The House petition of Francis A. Harrington, mayor of the city of Worcester, for legislation authorizing transfers from local truant schools to county truant schools, referred by the House to the committee on Education and sent up for

Truant schools.

concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the House concurred with the Senate in its reference, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Wakefield, — municipal lighting.

The House petition of the board of selectmen of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, referred by the House to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures. The House concurred with the Senate in its reference, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Taken from the Files.

Harry W. Welch.

On motions of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the petition of Harry W. Welch for aid from the State on account of disabilities received while doing military duty was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith. (House, No. 27.)

Id.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 28.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Gypsy Moth.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth, a Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth. Read and referred, under the Rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law as to permit contracts between husband and wife ; and

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Rules, recommending as the rules of the House for the current year, reserving the right to report further on the subject of quorum, the rules of the last session with the amendments made by the House on Jan. 14, 1892, but otherwise unchanged ;

Were severally accepted.

Bills :

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department (House, No. 22) ;

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund (House, No. 23) ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness (Senate, No. 6) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses (House, No. 26) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Death of Hon. Charles F. Loring, Councillor-Elect.

The following message from the Governor was received from the Senate : —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1892.

To the Senate and House of Representatives.

It is my painful duty to announce to the Legislature the death of Hon. Charles F. Loring of Melrose, a member-elect of the Executive Council from the Sixth District, at his home, after a long and painful illness, on the morning of January 26.

Death of Hon.
Charles F.
Loring, coun-
cillor-elect.

In his death the Commonwealth loses a faithful citizen who was greatly respected and loved, and who I am confident would have rendered her most useful and honorable service in the high office to which he had been chosen.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message was read and thereupon, Mr. Charles of Boston being in the chair, Mr. Barrett of Melrose offered the following resolutions, which, having been read, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote : —

Whereas, By the death of the Honorable Charles F. Loring, councillor-elect of the Commonwealth, this State has lost a valued citizen, beloved and respected for his noble personal traits and unspotted integrity of character, and one who gave promise of distinguished service to the Commonwealth ;

Resolved, That a committee consisting of seven members of the House be appointed to represent this House at his funeral ;

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the journal of the House, and that a copy be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Thereupon, on further motion of Mr. Barrett, at twenty-five minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The third annual report of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duty.

Committee on
Public Health.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of Albert C. Lynn for legislation relative to pensions in the fire department of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— pensions in
the fire depart-
ment.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard.

City of Boston,
— city hall.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of the selectmen of Gosnold and others that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, petition of George H. Chase and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated, in certain cases.

Sale of trout
artificially
propagated.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
public bar.

By Mr. Simonds of Barre, petition of Charles F. Washburn and 415 others, in aid of the petition of Charles E. Adams and others, to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor to be drunk on the premises, except to persons who have resorted there for food. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

East Gloucester
Baptist Society.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, petition of Thomas Renton and others, parish committee of the East Gloucester Baptist Society, that the name of said corporation may be changed and its powers limited and defined. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Town of
Oxford, — re-
imbursement
for money
expended for
support of a
pauper.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Oxford that said town may be reimbursed for the amount expended for the support of Sarah B. Dodge at the Danvers Lunatic Hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mileage tickets
on railroads.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of the wholesale clothing manufacturers of Boston in favor of interchangeable mileage tickets upon Massachusetts railroads. To the committee on Railroads.

Constitutional
Amendment, —
taking of land
in certain cases.

By Mr. Mahoney of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston that action may be taken for the adoption of an amendment to the constitution authorizing the taking of an entire tract of land in certain cases, when an improvement in the location of a highway would necessitate taking a portion of such tract. To the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Division of
West Bridge-
water.

By Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, remonstrance of Joseph A. Shores and 194 others against the division of the town of West Bridgewater. To the committee on Towns.

Town of Mar-
blehead, —
water debt.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, petition of the selectmen of Marblehead that said town may be authorized to increase its water debt. To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of authorizing the ballot law commissioners, provided for in chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888 and amendments thereto, to administer oaths to witnesses, to compel their attendance and the production of papers.

Elections, —
ballot law com-
missioners.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the issue by railroad corporations of free passes to legislative, judicial or executive officers.

Railroad passes,
— legislative,
judicial or
executive
officers.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of altering or repealing existing law respecting the mileage of members of the Legislature.

General Court,
— mileage of
members.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending the law relating to liens on building and land, Public Statutes chapter 191, otherwise known as the “mechanics’ lien law,” so that mechanics, laborers, or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor.

Liens.

On motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 395 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the burial of deceased indigent or friendless soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war, as to provide that the State shall reimburse cities and towns the entire amount of money expended for the burial of such persons dying in public or State institutions in said cities or towns.

Burial of
deceased
soldiers and
sailors.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 74 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the time within which applications for abatement may be filed, by striking out the word “six” and inserting in place thereof the word “three.”

Abatement of
taxes.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Husband and
wife, — private
conversations.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing or altering the provisions of the first clause of section 18 of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to the admission of evidence of private conversations between husband and wife.

Anniversary of
the discovery of
America a legal
holiday.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Columbus, viz., Wednesday, October 12, of the current year, a legal public holiday, in the same manner as Thanksgiving, Fast, Christmas, and certain other days are now by law made public holidays, and that any bill reported for this purpose shall not apply to said date in any other year than the current one.

Depositions in
civil cases.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposition *de bene esse* to be taken in any civil cases pending in the supreme judicial or superior courts, by an examination of the witnesses before commissioner to take such deposition, and after giving reasonable notice in writing, by the party or his attorney, proposing to take such deposition to the opposite party, or his attorney of record of the name of the witness, and the time and the place of taking the deposition; and with such other restrictions and regulations as may seem to the committee advisable, substantially after the manner provided for taking such deposition in the United States courts.

Suffolk County,
— index com-
missioners.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of relieving the justices of the superior court of the duty imposed upon them by section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes, relative to the appointment of index commissioners in Suffolk county.

Papers from the Senate.

Election officers
in towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, so

as to provide that fewer election officers may be required at the polling places in small towns divided into polling precincts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of making an additional appropriation of \$2,000 to be expended under the direction of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor in ascertaining the number of families in the city of Boston residing in rented tenements; the average amount of rent paid monthly by each family; the number of rooms rented by each family; the average number of persons to each room; their sex and occupation; the length of time the heads of families have been residents of the United States; what per cent. of the male population are citizens, and their nationality, and the sanitary condition of the tenements rented as aforesaid, as authorized by chapter 115 of the Resolves of the year 1891.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, — statis-
tics as to tene-
ments in the
city of Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Labor.

The following order came down with the endorsement that the subject-matter thereof had been referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, in which reference the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts; *provided*, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any

Clerks of courts
— registers of
deeds.

executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown.

City of Lawrence, — bridge over north canal.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lawrence for an act authorizing the maintenance by said city of a bridge over the north canal in said city was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Taken from the Files.

Monatiquot Cemetery.

On motions of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the petition of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Trustees of Town Donations of Concord.

On motions of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the Bill to incorporate the Trustees of Town Donations of Concord was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses. (House, No. 31.)

College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. (House, No. 29.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Transfer of the revenue marine.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the Treasury department to the jurisdiction of the Navy department ought to be adopted. (House, No. 30.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the resolutions.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the day.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 27) ; and

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth (House, No. 28) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department (House, No. 22) ; and

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund (House, No. 23) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness (Senate, No. 6) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Funeral of the late Hon. Charles F. Loring.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the committee to attend the funeral of the late Hon. Charles F. Loring : —

Funeral of
Charles F.
Loring.

Messrs. Ferren of Stoneham, Wier of Lowell, Carter of Wakefield, O'Brien of Marlborough, Shute of Malden, Hall of Woburn, Hart of Lawrence and Dodge of Natick. On motion of Mr. Ferren, the Speaker was added to the committee to act as chairman.

On further motion of Mr. Ferren, at twenty-six minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.

The sixtieth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Beacon Trust Company.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of William A. Paine and others for incorporation of the Beacon Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Leave of absence of members of the Boston fire department.

By Mr. Casey of Boston, petition of Joseph J. Casey for legislation granting to permanent members of the fire department in the city of Boston the right to three days' leave of absence, without loss of pay, in case of death in their families. To the committee on Cities.

State Normal School at Worcester.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, petition of the visitors of the State Normal School at Worcester for an appropriation for said institution. To the committee on Education.

Sale of trout artificially propagated.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, petition of H. B. Chandler and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Bakers' Protective Assembly, — Sunday law.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from the burdens imposed

upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath.
To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, petition of James A. Norcross and 362 others, in aid of the petition for further restrictions upon the transportation of intoxicating liquor in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
transportation
in no-license
cities and towns.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, petition of Frederick Fosdick and 378 others, in aid of the petition for legislation to prevent the licensing of an excessive number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
sale of, at sum-
mer resorts.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, petition of Otis A. Merrill and others that a three-fifths vote may be required for licensing the sale of intoxicating liquor, and that a decision not to grant licenses may stand for three years.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
vote on the
question of
granting
licenses.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, petition of the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society that it may be enabled to hold additional property. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Newburyport
Howard Benev-
olent Society.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Ellen Toomey.

By Mr. French of Framingham, petition of George O. Bent that he may be compensated for injuries received in the discharge of his duty at the Reformatory Prison for Women. To the committee on Prisons.

George O. Bent.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, petition of James A. Lakin that the salary of Samuel B. Spooner, register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
register of
probate and
insolvency for
Hampden
County.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, petition of John W. Dobbie and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad.

Railroads,—
private
crossings.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of the directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for legislation to discontinue the crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road,—crossing
in Brookline.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Town of
Arlington, —
high school
building.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the selectmen of Arlington for authority to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building. To the committee on Towns.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, petition of Electa N. L. Walton and others of Newton for municipal suffrage for women. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Security for
consignments.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of A. N. Parry & Co., and others, citizens of Amesbury, for the enactment of a law giving greater security to consignments. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

City of Boston,
— gambling.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in Boston in the executive of said city.

School com-
mittees.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that persons in order to be eligible as members of a school committee or school board must be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen.

Hours of labor
of railroad
employees.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting by law the hours of labor of the employees of railroads operated in this Commonwealth, or under its laws, and of compelling extra compensation for extra service.

Arsenic.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such legislation as will prevent the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic, where such articles may be dangerous to the health of the community.

Assessment and
collection of
taxes.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation requiring the assessment and

collection of taxes by a State board, so as to remove the present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation giving to the supreme judicial court sitting as a full court in any county, jurisdiction of all matters, civil or criminal, which might properly come before it in any other county.

Supreme judicial court, — jurisdiction of civil and criminal matters.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 30 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, so that the amount exempt from attachment or trustee process for necessities shall be five dollars instead of ten dollars as at present.

Trustee process.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of relieving the justices of the superior court of the duty imposed upon them by section 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to the appointment of index commissioners in Suffolk County, and of providing some other method of appointment.

Suffolk County, — index commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of dispensing with an extended record of actions in the supreme judicial and superior courts, and providing that the dockets in the several clerks' offices, and the papers therein referred to, shall, of themselves, constitute a record of such actions.

Supreme judicial and superior courts, — records of actions.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation for the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops.

Gambling, pool rooms and policy shops.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the county commissioners of Bristol County to cause to be made from the records in the north district, copies of records of deeds, plans and instruments relating to real estate, situate in Fall River prior to Jan. 1, 1892,

Bristol County, — records of plans, instruments and deeds.

in books to be deposited in the registry of the Fall River district, and to authorize the register of the last-named district to make copies of said copied records, which shall be received in evidence in the same manner as copies from the original records are now received ; and to authorize the commissioners to employ such persons as are necessary for the purpose, and pay them out of the funds in the county treasury.

Papers from the Senate.

Ballots, —
production of,
in court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing that ballots thrown at any election and in the custody of city and town clerks, according to the provisions of law, shall, at any time, be brought into court by such clerks upon the order of the judge, to be used at any trial for offences against the election laws.

Qualification of
male voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the qualifications of male voters, so as to provide that no person shall be disqualified to vote by reason of non-payment of a tax assessed upon him.

Qualification of
voters in towns

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 208 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the qualification of voters in town affairs, so as to provide that no person shall be disqualified to vote at town meetings upon all questions of town affairs, by reason of non-payment of any tax assessed upon him.

Widow of
Gardiner Tufts.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Docking of
horses.

Petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the passage of an act for the protection of horses mutilated by docking. To the committee on Agriculture.

Town of
Provincetown,
— watering of
streets.

Petition of J. Ames Gifford and others that the town of Provincetown be authorized to raise and appropriate money for the purpose of watering its streets.

Remonstrance of the selectmen of the town of Phillipston and others against the petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a change in the boundary line between the towns of Phillipston and Templeton.

Towns of Phillipston and Templeton, — boundary line.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Petition of the water commissioners of the town of Randolph, in behalf of said town, for authority to make an additional water loan. To the committee on Water Supply.

Town of Randolph, — water loan.

The House petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others, for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and supply fuel to their citizens at cost, referred by the House to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Towns, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Municipal coal yards.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing against depredations of the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ought to pass. (House, No. 32.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Gypsy moth.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses (House, No. 31) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 27) ; and

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth (House, No. 28) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department (House, No. 30) were, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, laid on the table.

The Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 29) was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading it was laid on the table on motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at twenty-two minutes past one o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, a Bill to amend sections 53 and 54 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes." Read and referred to the committee on Taxation, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Collection of taxes.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford being in the chair, Mr. Barrett of Melrose asked leave to introduce a Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles F. Loring. Leave was granted, and the resolve having been read, on motion of Mr. Barrett the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Widow of Charles F. Loring.

Report Received.

The annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters.

Abstract of Returns of Liquor Licenses.

The abstract of returns, received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., in response to an order

Intoxicating liquors, — abstract of returns of licenses.

adopted by the House, January 18, was received and was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor, —
State institution
for epileptics.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a report of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for epileptics, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals. The message was read, and with the accompanying report was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and sent up for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Mellen, the message and report were ordered printed as a House document. (House, No. 33.)

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

City of Boston,
— widow of
Nicholas A.
Apollonio.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, petition of the Mayor of Boston that said city may be authorized to pay to the widow of Nicholas A. Apollonio, late city registrar, the balance of the salary which would have been payable to said Apollonio.

City of Brockton,
— city hall.

By Mr. Low of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for authority to incur indebtedness in excess of the limit fixed by law, for building a city hall.

City of Brockton,
— rate of
taxation.

By the same gentleman, petition of the city of Brockton for further exemption from the provisions of the law limiting the rate of taxation in cities.

City of Brockton,
— assistant
assessors.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for an amendment of its charter so as to provide that the assistant assessors shall be appointed annually by the mayor and aldermen.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Brockton,
— sewers.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for authority to incur indebtedness in excess of the limit fixed by law for constructing a system of sewerage. To the committee on Drainage.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of E. G. Pond and others for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886 so as to permit the shooting of wild fowl from a sail-boat.

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Bessom of Lynn, petition of Hiram F. Hurlbut for legislation authorizing the sale of trout artificially propagated in certain cases.

Sale of trout artificially propagated.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, petitions of Bracey Curtis and others of Medfield, of Nelson E. Newell and others of Franklin, of George E. Craig and others of Walpole, of Charles H. Deans and others of Medway, and of the selectmen and other citizens of Foxborough, — severally for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk county.

Norfolk County, — district court.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of Francis Buttrick and 45 others of Waltham for the repeal of the act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions. To the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of A. C. Harding and others; and by Mr. Fay of Northampton, petition of C. E. Gould and others, — severally that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor.

Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of the Washington Mills Company for authority to increase its general capital stock and to redeem its preferred stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Washington Mills Company.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies.

Sons of Veterans.

By Mr. Hall of Woburn, petition of H. C. Hall that the widow of George F. Hubbard may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Widow of George F. Hubbard.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, petition of Levi C. McKinstry for the incorporation of a religious society by the name of the Tremont Advent-Christian Campmeeting Association. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Tremont Advent-Christian Campmeeting Association.

Salary of the
special justices
of the district
court of North-
ern Berkshire.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, petition of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire for an increase of salary.

Salary of the
justice of the
second district
court of Eastern
Middlesex.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Railroads, —
mileage tickets.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of 70 members of the Boston Chamber of Commerce in favor of interchangeable mileage tickets. To the committee on Railroads.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of W. L. Nickerson and others; and by Mr. Fay of Northampton, petition of Aurelia F. Maine and others of Florence, — severally for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Quincy and
Boston Street
Railway Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Burke of Quincy, of the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks into the towns of Milton, Braintree and Weymouth, and the city of Boston, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th Joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Burke, the 9th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, —

Elections, —
registering of
ballots.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot-boxes, furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth.

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such amendments to the registration laws as may be necessary to secure a full, complete and thorough system of registration, and to remedy and supply all defects in such laws occasioned by the adoption of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the payment of a poll-tax as a prerequisite to voting.

Registration of
voters.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the existing laws so that the town clerks will cease to be members of boards of registrars of voters but continue to be clerks of such boards.

Town clerks as
registrars of
voters.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the qualification and method of selecting precinct officers and returning boards at State and municipal elections, and all other matters relating to the duty of election officers and those having custody of ballots or subsequent counts or revisions.

Elections, —
election officers.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas.

Inspection of
gas and gas
meters.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufacturers consider the expediency of legislation requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers, and holders of stock, may be adequately protected.

Returns of gas
corporations.

Gas. On motion of Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, —
Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation reducing and regulating the price of gas.

**City of Boston,
— municipal
lighting.** On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to municipal lighting, that the vote required by section two of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor in the city of Boston in more than one municipal year.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

**Middlesex
County, —
sittings of the
superior court.** On motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes that the superior court shall be held in every year for the county of Middlesex, for civil business at Lowell, on the second Monday of September, instead of the first Monday of September, as now provided.

**Superior court,
— retirement of
justices.** On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 420 of the Acts of the year 1887, as to provide for the retirement of justices of the superior court on the same terms as justices of the supreme judicial court.

**Probate courts,
— retirement of
judges.** On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section one of chapter 420 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the retirement of judges, as to apply to judges of the probate courts for the several counties.

**Hampshire
County, — pro-
bate records.** On motion of Mr. Fay of Northampton, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chapter 262 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled "An Act to provide for arranging and indexing the probate records of the county of Hampshire," so as to allow further time for completing said work, and so as to continue the appropriation made by said act.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to employ a stenographer for the better fulfilment of their duties.

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands,—stenographer.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to create and affix a penalty for the making by brokers, or money loaners, of loans at a greater rate of interest than eighteen per cent. per annum; and also to change the period of time for which said rates may be collected when the debt is paid before the expiration of that period; also to reduce or eliminate entirely the provision making an allowance for the expenses incurred in making loans.

Rate of interest.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of repealing chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions."

Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms.

Intoxicating liquors,—inn-holders.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth.

Salaries of the county commissioners of Plymouth County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the justices of the superior court fifteen hundred dollars each.

Salaries of the justices of the superior court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on Towns.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Boston Fire Department, — pensions to certain persons.

Petition of Patrick J. Kennedy for legislation which will enable Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson to be placed on the pension roll of the Boston Fire Department. To the committee on Cities.

John M. Berry, — State loan to cities and towns to build homes for the people.

Petition of John M. Berry that a State loan of \$3,000,000 be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people, and to be paid for in rent. To the committee on Labor.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the following order offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was taken from the table, and, there being no objection, the order was withdrawn by Mr. Bennett : —

House Rule 28, — committee on Rule.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of abolishing Rule No. 28, or of so amending it as to take away from the committee on Rules its present power over legislation ; also, that the committee on Rules consider the expediency of employing a bill clerk.

Bills enacted and a Resolve passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for maintenance of the government for the present year ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve providing against depredations of the insect known as the *Ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (House, No. 32) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. ^{Orders of the day.}

The Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses (House, No. 31) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, at twenty-eight minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 2, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the Chair.

Leave of Absence of a Member.

Leave of
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member.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, Mr. Hope-well of Cambridge was granted leave of absence for an indefinite period, on account of sickness.

Opinion of the Attorney-General.

Opinion of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral, — quorum
of the House of
Representa-
tives.

A communication was received from the Attorney-General, in response to an order adopted by the House January 27, submitting his opinion upon the questions of law in relation to what constitutes a quorum of the House of Representatives. The communication was read, and, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was referred to the committee on Rules, with instructions to report a rule, in accordance with the opinion of the Attorney-General, providing that 121 members shall constitute a quorum of the House for the transaction of business. On further motion of Mr. Mellen the opinion was ordered printed as a House document (House, No. 38.)

Introduced on Leave.

Endowment
companies.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, a Bill relating to so-called endowment companies. Read and referred to the committee on Insurance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Appointment
on the Gov-
ernor's staff.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, a Bill relative to appointment on the Governor's staff. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Suffolk County,
— sittings of
probate court.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, a Bill fixing the times and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Street Railways.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of Ralph Warner and others for an act of incorporation as the Granite Loan and Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Granite Loan and Trust Company.

By Mr. Fall of Ipswich, petition of the feoffees of the grammar school in Ipswich for leave to sell real estate and invest the proceeds in some other manner, for school purposes. To the committee on Education. Town of Ipswich, — grammar school.

By Mr. Garfield of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for such legislation as will permit voting at municipal elections without the requirement of the payment of a poll-tax. To the committee on Election Laws. Poll tax.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of Stephen C. Devlin and others for legislation permitting the pursuing of wild fowl with a sail boat. Wild fowl.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, petition of E. T. Rounsville and 21 others of Freetown for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated. Sale of trout artificially propagated.

By the same gentleman, petition of John J. Bryant and 97 others of Fairhaven for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay. Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of Lillburne Hiller and others for legislation allowing the selectmen of the towns on Buzzard's Bay to grant licenses to set gill nets within one-quarter mile of the shore. Id.

By Mr. Nutting of Northampton, petition of H. H. Chilson and others for legislation prohibiting the sale of trout less than six inches in length. Trout.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of William S. Mayhew and others of Chilmark, of Charles H. Ryan and others of Gay Head, and of Allen M. Athearn and others of Lobsters.

Tisbury; and by Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, petition of P. M. Stuart and others, — severally, for legislation permitting the sale of lobsters nine and one-half inches in length.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
employment of
women.

By Mr. Simonds of Barre, petition of William H. Yates of Boston for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, petition of D. B. Cole and 116 others of Clinton; by Mr. Brown of Amesbury, petition of Rebecca Mercer and others of Amesbury; by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, petition of M. J. C. Russell and others; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petitions of George E. Seagrave and others, and of Jennie M. Peck and others; and by Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petitions of R. R. Jones and others, and of W. H. Woodwell and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Suffolk Real
Estate Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association.

Waltham
Hospital
Corporation.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of the Waltham Hospital Corporation for authority to hold additional property.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Owen Dolan.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of Owen Dolan that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

First Congrega-
tional Church
of West War-
ren.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of Edward Fairbanks that the acts of the First Congregational Church of West Warren may be ratified, and that it may be authorized to sell its property. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

State printing.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of the officers of Typographical Union No. 13, for an investigation into the methods of awarding State printing, also for the establishment of a State printing office; and for a nine-hour day and equal wages for printers employed on State work. To the committee on Printing.

By Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, petition of Thomas Gal-
laudet and others for an appropriation for the New
England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

New England
Industrial
School for Deaf
Mutes.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petition of the Massa-
chusetts State Firemen's Association for an annual appro-
priation of \$10,000.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Insti-
tutions.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, petition of the clerk of the
municipal court of the Roxbury district for an increase
of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
clerk of the
municipal court
of the Roxbury
district.

By Mr. Healy of Dudley, petition of W. H. H. Cheney
and others of Dudley and Southbridge for legislation re-
quiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing
to land cut off from the highway by a railroad. To the
committee on Railroads.

Railroads, —
private cross-
ings.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, petition of M. J. C.
Russell and others of Milford that women may be enabled
to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Woman
suffrage.

By the same gentleman, petition of Sarah A. Fales and
others of Milford; by Mr. Graham of Quincy, petition
of Edward Twitchell and others of Quincy; by Mr. Nye
of Barnstable, petition of Robert S. Moore and others
of Falmouth; and by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petitions of
George E. Seagrave and others, and of Jennie M. Peck
and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens,
irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of
names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to
licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election
of municipal officers.

Id.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, petition of the Marble and
Granite Dealers' Association for a lien law to apply to all
sculpture and monumental work when set in a cemetery.

Lien on marble
and sculpture
when set in
cemeteries.

By Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, petition of the city of
Chicopee for legislation to shorten the time for notice of
damage from a defect in a public way caused by snow
or ice.

Highways, —
notice of damage
from defects
caused by snow
and ice.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of Rufus B. Tobey
and others for the repeal of that portion of the law relative
to solemnizing marriages, which requires them to be

Marriages.

solemnized in the town where one of the parties reside, or where the person officiating resides.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Everett,
— city charter.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of the town of Everett for incorporation as a city, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

West End
Street Railway
Company, —
record of acci-
dents.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hobson of Lowell, of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Ashley of Westfield, —

Abandoned
farms.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as shall cause a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms, and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Caterpillars and
cankerworms.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation authorizing the selectmen of towns to use means to the end that the common caterpillar and cankerworm may be exterminated along the public highways.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— appropriations for hos-
pitals.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation to enable the city of Boston to

make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the City Hospital.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation to increase the term of office of members of the common council of the city of Boston, by providing that at the next municipal election, one member from each ward shall be elected for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and every year thereafter, one member for three years.

City of Boston,
— common
councilmen.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the present election laws so as to secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged.

Elections, —
challenges.

On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that in elections held under the Australian system in towns, the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, as now provided.

Town elections,
— tellers.

On motion of Mr. Richmond of Freetown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, so that persons engaged in the cod-fishing business, who reside in the towns bordering on said bay, may be licensed to catch with seines from the waters of said bay bait necessary for their said business.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and acts amendatory thereof, so as to provide for the better protection of the interests of the certificate or policy holders.

Insurance, —
policy holders.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 65 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide that when an insurance policy is issued upon the life of any person, without a previous medical examination, the age or

Insurance, —
medical exami-
nation.

physical condition of the insured shall not, in such cases, be set up as a bar against the payment of the full amount of said policy or any part thereof.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations, —
endowment
policies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of repealing so much of the charters of corporations organized or transacting business under section 8 of chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890 as permits them to issue endowment policies and pay specified sums of money to members or certificate holders, during the lifetime of said members or certificate holders, except in cases of sickness or disability; also to provide for a proper distribution among the contributors of any funds now held as a reserve to pay certificates or policies maturing by lapse of time.

On motion of Mr. Nutting of Northampton, —

Fire-escapes.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to provide that safe ways of egress from a burning structure to the ground shall be required, by means of incombustible stairways, enclosed by fire proof walls, either inside or outside of all such buildings.

On motion of Mr. Dacey of Boston: —

Semi-monthly
payment of
employees in
State institu-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation necessary for the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now is done.

On motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Employment of
armed bodies
of men by cor-
porations.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting the employment by any person or corporation of armed forces other than the officers of the law; also, the appointment of special officers, whether under the name of police officers or any other name, who are not residents of this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, —

Public libraries
in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of providing that \$100 in books shall be given by the Commonwealth to small towns which had established libraries before the passage of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, giving \$100 in books to new libraries, and to towns which shall establish and maintain branch libraries in their smaller villages.

On motion of Mr. Simonds of Barre, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that the vote upon the question: "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor be granted in the city (or town)" shall hereafter be taken every third year, instead of annually as is now done.

Intoxicating
liquors, — vote
on the question
of granting
licenses.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation changing the local option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold may be during three years; and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and of changing the name of said officer.

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dacey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation necessary to obtain a pension for the officers of the Massachusetts State Prison, after fifteen years of service, if incapacitated for duty, or if at any time while in the discharge of their duty they are rendered unfit for duty, to receive the same pension, and that the amount of said pension shall be one-half the amount per year that they were receiving at the time of their retirement.

State Prison, —
pensions for
officers.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause.

District police,
— tenure of
office.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department.

Salary of the
third clerk in
the insurance
department.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing that the county or

Maintenance of
highways in
certain towns.

State assist towns whose valuations do not exceed three hundred thousand dollars, in the support of their highways.

Collection of
poll taxes.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice.

Examination of
reservoirs and
mill dams.

On motion of Mr. Taft of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891 entitled: "An act requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir dams and mill dams by county commissioners."

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Plaintiff in
review.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 39 of chapter 187 of the Public Statutes, as to require greater security from the plaintiff in review.

Civil Service
Commissioners,
— Attorney-
General.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that, when requested by the Civil Service Commissioners, the Attorney-General shall consult and advise with them on questions of law relating to their official business.

Perjury.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section one of chapter 205 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that the punishment for perjury may be imprisonment in the State prison, or in the jail, or by fine, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Rate of interest.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to loans under one thousand dollars, as to more effectually protect the borrower from extortion or oppression, or the taking, directly or indirectly, of illegal interest by the lender; also as to prescribing suitable penalties, to the end that the provisions of law provided in this behalf may be made more effectual.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Clerks of courts. the expediency of requiring the clerks of courts of the several counties to keep their offices continuously open from the time of opening in the morning until the time of closing at night.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider District and municipal courts, — bail in criminal cases. the expediency of having district and municipal police courts kept open during the usual hours of holding such courts for the purpose of taking bail in criminal cases.

On motion of Mr. Melaven of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Counterfeiting of stamps, labels and trademarks. the expediency of amending section 64 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes as amended by striking out the words “knowing the same to be forged or counterfeited without disclosing the fact to the purchaser,” so as to read as follows: “Whoever vends any goods, wares or merchandise having thereon a forged or counterfeited stamp, label or trade mark of any mechanic or manufacturer, or labor and trade association, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding six months or by fine not exceeding fifty dollars.”

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Drunkenness, — probation officers. the expediency of amending chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891 (1), as to the power to release persons arrested for drunkenness without bringing them into court; (2) as to the duties of probation officers thereunder; and (3) as to the powers of the court to put the cases of persons convicted of drunkenness thereunder either on file or on probation.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insol- Insolvency. vency consider the expediency of amending section 112 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to involuntary insolvency, so as to increase the classes of persons liable to involuntary insolvency proceedings, and so as to include persons practicing a profession among the persons liable to such proceedings.

*Papers from the Senate.***Mechanics liens.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, so that when a lien is claimed only for labor performed or furnished under an entire contract, which includes both labor and materials, at an entire price, the statement required to be filed in the registry of deeds for the county or district where the building or structure is situated, shall not be deemed insufficient solely by reason of any inaccuracy in stating, or failing to state, the contract price, the number of days of labor performed or furnished and the value of the same, provided it is shown that there was no intention to mislead and that the parties entitled to notice of the statement were not in fact mislead thereby.

Bureau of Steam Engineering.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to provide for the creation of a Bureau of Steam Engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, steam boilers, and steam generators, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus.

Salary of the associate medical examiner of Suffolk County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of making the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk one-sixth of the present salary received by each of the two medical examiners of said county.

Salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester to \$1,200 per annum.

The following House order, —

Cities and towns, — sewers.

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of giving to cities and towns a wider latitude in determining the manner and time of paying for the construction of sewers, —

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out all after the words “expediency of,” and inserting in place thereof the following words: “Extending the

present law relating to methods of paying for sewers so that cities and towns shall have authority" (in addition to the powers now given by chapter 50 of the Public Statutes) : —

1st. To establish a just and equitable annual charge for use of the sewers to be paid by every person who enters his particular sewer into the common sewer.

2d. To assess such part of the cost of the sewer as the city council shall determine by a *combination* of the different methods of assessment provided by said chapter 50 rather than by one method alone, upon the estates abutting upon the line of the sewer; for example, to base one-half of assessment on valuation, and one-half on area or area and frontage, if the city council deem it advisable to do so.

3d. To adopt the *valuation* fixed by the *board of assessors* next preceding the date of making the sewer assessment, as the basis of all sewer assessments which are to be apportioned on abutting estates according to their value.

4th. To charge such reasonable sum as the board having charge of the sewer assessments may determine upon estates situated outside the limit of abutting estates and not liable to assessment, whenever such estates become connected with the sewer.

5th. To postpone the time for payment of assessments on estates not built upon, when requested by the owner, until built upon or for a fixed time to be determined by the board having charge of sewer assessments, provided that interest be paid annually upon the assessment from the time it is made and provided that the assessment be paid within three months after such estate is built upon or after the expiration of such fixed time of postponement.

6th. To construct laterals from the main sewer to the lines of the street for use of adjoining estates, at the expense of the city, charging each adjoining estate the whole or such part as the city council may determine, of the average cost of all such laterals; and to prohibit the construction of such laterals by any one but the city and its authorized agents.

7th. To empower the board having charge of sewer assessments to abate and reassess the same in case any assessment is invalid by reason of error or otherwise.

8th. To authorize the incorporation of sewer districts within towns or cities for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a system of sewers within such district.

9th. In case of a general revision of the law or important enlargement of it, to adopt the new act in place of any special law now in force, in towns by vote of the inhabitants at a town meeting duly called and in cities by vote of the city council."

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Highways, —
wild cherry
trees.

Petition of Franklyn Howland for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways. To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings banks,
— bonds of
street railway
companies.

Petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of savings banks may be invested, be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Cape Cod
Canal.

Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Town of Dana,
— first district
court of
Northern
Worcester.

Petition of D. L. Richards and others that the town of Dana may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester.

Town of West-
minster, — first
district court of
Northern
Worcester.

Petition of E. S. Kendall and others that the town of Westminster may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Cambridge
Firemen's
Relief Asso-
ciation.

Petition of Thomas J. Casey and others for an act of incorporation as the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association of Cambridge.

Petition of E. G. Hoitt and others that the Marlborough Hospital Corporation may be authorized to take and hold real estate and personal property by purchase in addition to the methods enumerated in chapter 60 of the Acts of the year 1890.

Marlborough
Hospital
Corporation.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition of Benjamin E. Bond, clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, that his salary may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of the
clerk of fourth
district court of
Eastern Middle-
sex.

Petition of Jonathan Stone and others for legislation to establish a grade for cellars for the town of Revere, and also to prevent said town from accepting any street or highway that is not filled up by the owners of the land to a grade not less than six feet above mean high water. To the committee on Towns.

Town of
Revere, — cellar
grade.

Petition of Joseph K. Nye and others that they may be incorporated as the Onset Water Company. To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Onset Water
Company.

The House petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Oxford that said town may be reimbursed for the amount expended for the support of Sarah B. Dodge at the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, referred by the House to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures. On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Expenditures, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Ox-
ford, — reim-
bursement for
money ex-
pended for sup-
port of a pauper.

Taken from the Files.

On motions of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the order relative to the appointment of a State agent to secure the enforcement of the law relating to truancy and absentees from school was taken from the files of last year, and, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the committee on Education.

Truants.

Johanna L. Cox. On motions of Mr. Atwood of Kingston, the petition of Johanna L. Cox of Duxbury for continuation of her late husband's annuity was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Expenditures.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Sweating system. By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence from the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to prohibiting within this Commonwealth the manufacture of garments under the so-called sweating system and of prohibiting the sale of garments so manufactured, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Public Health. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Appropriation bill. By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game. (House, No. 37.)

Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company. By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company. (House, No. 36.)
Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Farm at Bridgewater. By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, in part, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted. Engrossed Bills :
Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ; and
Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses (Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve providing against depredations of the insect known as the *Ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (House, No. 32) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. ^{Orders of the day.}

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, at three minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Members Qualified.

Members
qualified,—
first Middlesex
and twelfth
Worcester rep-
resentative
districts.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the certificates of election of Isaac McLean, representative-elect from the first Middlesex representative district, and DeWitt C. Nichols, representative-elect from the twelfth Worcester representative district, which was read and placed on file; and Messrs. McLean and Nichols, representatives-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Durant of Cambridge was appointed a committee who conducted them to the Council Chamber, and, they having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Introduced on Leave.

State Normal
School at Fram-
ingham.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, a Resolve in aid of the State Normal School at Framingham. Read and referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Schools,—
normal schools.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, a Resolve to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools. Read and referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Towns of
Mashpee and
Barnstable,—
fisheries.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, a Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable." Read and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Foreign manu-
facturing
corporations.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, a Bill to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold

real estate. Read and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, a Bill to provide for pensioning officers of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory. Read and referred to the committee on Prisons, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

State Prison
and Massachu-
setts Reforma-
tory.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, a Resolve in favor of William H. Robinson. Read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

William H.
Robinson.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Military Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the hour of two and one-half o'clock, Thursday, February 11th, be assigned for the election on the part of the House of an Executive Councillor to fill the vacancy in the sixth councillor district, occasioned by the death of Hon. Charles F. Loring.

Election of
Councillor.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Lynch of Boston, petition of the Mayor of Boston for such amendments to the act creating the court house commission of the county of Suffolk as will tend to hasten the completion of the work. To the committee on Cities.

Suffolk County,
court house.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lynn, petition of Elihu B. Hayes and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
Amendment, —
division of
towns.

School for
Christian
Workers.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petition of F. H. Gillett for an act to enable the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students.

International
Young Men's
Association
Training
School.

By the same gentleman, petition of F. H. Gillett for the passage of an act to enable the International Young Mens' Association Training School to confer appropriate degrees.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Elections, —
equal repre-
sentation.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections.

Registration of
women.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of Salome Merritt and others that women may be relieved from the payment of a poll tax as a qualification for voting; and for a more just method of registration of women.

Elections, — re-
count of ballots
in towns.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, petition of Alfred Noon and others for an amendment of the election law so as to permit a recount of ballots in towns.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Berkshire
county, —
family of
C. H. Ingalls.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, petition of the widow and daughter of the late C. H. Ingalls, county commissioner of Berkshire County, that said county may be authorized to pay to them the balance of his salary. To the committee on Expenditures.

Free coinage of
silver.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of George J. Moulton that our Senators and Representatives may be instructed to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold, and for the free coinage of silver. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Town of
Nantucket.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, petition of A. H. Gardner that authority may be granted to the town of Nantucket, or to private individuals, to fill up that portion of the dock between Old North and Steamboat wharves, west of the Nantucket railroad crossing.

Trap's Creek
Fishing
Company.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to extend said creek by digging a channel across a flat which is dry at ebb tide.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

County of
Dukes County,
— judicial dis-
trict.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Joseph V. Pease and others that the county of Dukes County may be constituted a judicial district. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petition of the Pioneer Federal Labor Union for legislation limiting the hours of labor of street railway employees. To the committee on Labor. Hours of labor of street railway employees.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation providing that a vote upon the granting of liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect. Intoxicating liquors, — vote on the question of granting licenses.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petition of Horace A. Roberts and others that no place shall be licensed for the sale of liquor within 400 feet of a building used for religious worship. Intoxicating liquors, — houses of religious worship.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petition of F. H. Gillett for the incorporation of the Rock Rimmon Building Association. Rock Rimmon Building Association.

By Mr. Harris of Boston, petition of Benjamin C. Clark for the incorporation of the Tyler Street Day Nursery. Tyler Street Day Nursery.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association. Globe Building and Loan Association.

By Mr. Burnham of Boston, petition of the East Boston Company for an amendment to its charter by changing the words "Noddles Island" to "East Boston" and removing certain ambiguities. East Boston Company.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of William C. Merry that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. William C. Merry.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, petition of Edward W. Presho that James K. Barbour of Boston may be made eligible to receive State aid. James K. Barbour.

By Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederick Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid. Frederick Wiese.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, petitions of Edward L. Tucker and others for legislation authorizing the enlistment of a paymaster's clerk in each twelve company regiment. Militia, — paymasters' clerks.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of C. C. Coffin and other members of the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston for authority to sell the meeting-house of said society, and for other powers. Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston.

Bromfield
Street M. E.
Church.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, petition of the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Church for legislation to enable them to sell the real estate of said church.

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Town of
Swampscott, —
Boston garbage.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott and others similarly situated from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores. To the committee on Public Health.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Williamstown.

By Mr. Gallup of Clarksburg, petition of Keyes Danforth, justice of the police court of Williamstown, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the
first clerk of the
Savings Banks
Commissioners.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, petition of James O. Otis, first clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, that his salary may be increased to \$2,000 per annum.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Railroads, —
private cross-
ings.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, petition of Joseph Stevens and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad. To the committee on Railroads.

Town of Essex,
— Great Bridge.

By Mr. Andrews of Essex, petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Town of
Swampscott, —
fire department.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town. To the committee on Towns.

Fire districts.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, petition of the North Adams Fire District for a general or special law enabling fire districts to borrow in anticipation of taxes.

Town of
Adams, —
South Adams
fire district.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, petition of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and that the town of Adams may be authorized to issue its bonds and loan the same to said fire district.

Foxborough
water supply
district.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of E. P. Carpenter and others that the Foxborough water supply dis-

strict may be authorized to supply water to persons residing outside the district.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, petition of Warren Hoyt that the city of Haverhill may be empowered to take land for purifying the sources of its water supply. City of Haverhill, — water supply.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, petition of Charles W. Mann and others for the repeal of chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water." Methuen Water Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, petition of W. O. Shattuck and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, petition of Anna C. Lee and others; and by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, petition of C. A. Stevens and others, — severally, that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, petition of Anna C. Lee and others, that women may be allowed to vote for presidential electors and other officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of Lucy Stone and others, for legislation for the protection of wives against aggravated assaults and cruelty of their husbands. To the committee on the Judiciary. Husband and wife.

A petition, presented by Mr. Dennis of Salem, of the Essex Electric Street Railway Company for authority to lease its road to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Dennis, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the Committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference. Essex Electric Street Railway Company, — Naumkeag Street Railway Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Simonds of Barre, of Elihu T. Sawyer and 65 others of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply and to organize a water Town of Barre, — water supply.

supply district in said town, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Simonds the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Chicopee
Water Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take land and issue bonds secured by mortgage, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. O'Neil, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Annexation of
a part of
Northampton
to Holyoke.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the mayor of Holyoke for the annexation of a part of the city of Northampton to the city of Holyoke, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. Mr. Buckley moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended. After debate the House refused to suspend the rule by a vote of 65 to 72, and the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Days of grace.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of repealing section 9 of chapter 77 of the Public Statutes, relative to days of grace, and of providing that no days of grace shall be allowed on bills of exchange, promissory notes, orders, checks or drafts payable in this Commonwealth unless it is expressly so provided therein.

Annexation of
Cambridge to
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation to unite the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing a form of charter for large towns which shall embody more of the features of town government than the present form of city charter. Town charters.

On motion of Mr. Gilbride of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882 entitled “An Act authorizing towns and cities to lay out public parks within their limits,” as to provide that the mayor and city council of cities may have the power to grant the use of the parks to such persons and for such purposes as the mayor and city council may deem expedient. Public parks in cities and towns.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward. City of Boston, — election of aldermen.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of a law which shall require the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution, to be voted for at the following election. Constitutional amendments, — notice to voters.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority. Examination of school teachers by State authority.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents. School superintendents.

On motion of Mr. Simonds of Barre, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation requiring the appointment by the State Board of Education, of a board of examiners of three or more competent persons, who shall examine all candidates for school superintendents, and without whose certificate of examination no candidate shall be deemed eligible to such position in any town or superintendency district in the state. Id.

School superintendents.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and redistrict the same at intervals of five or ten years.

Registration of voters.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the laws relative to registration of voters, as to provide that there shall be, during the year 1892, a new or re-registration of voters, in view of the repeal of the constitutional provision relative to the poll tax, in cities and towns of not more than twenty thousand inhabitants.

Nomination conventions or meetings.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a law which shall require as far as practicable the use of the Australian ballot system at nominating conventions or meetings, for State and city elective offices.

Wool.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool.

Fish and game wardens.

On motion of Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens.

Fraternal beneficiary corporations, —
injunctions.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Boston: —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of providing that no temporary or *ex parte* injunction shall be granted against any fraternal beneficiary corporation organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and any amendment thereof, unless a notice or summons returnable in not less than twenty-four hours shall first issue in order that such cor-

poration may have some opportunity to defend itself or show cause why an injunction should not be granted.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending the law relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations, so as to permit the levying of assessments without limitation as to time or number, and thereby to secure a more equable and uniform provision for meeting future maturing liabilities.

Fraternal
beneficiary cor-
porations, —
assessments.

On motion of Mr. Lyford of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the provisions of sections 7 and 8 of chapter 37 of the Public Statutes, relating to public records, so as to require the several registers of deeds to procure and keep a book for re-recording worn or illegible deeds and instruments existing in their registries, when directed by the county commissioners or requested by private parties; and of providing proper compensation for such work; and of further providing that such copies of records shall have the same force and effect as the original records.

Public records,
— registries of
deeds.

On motion of Mr. Jenks of Shelburne, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing one or more district courts to include the whole or a part of the county of Franklin.

Franklin
County, — dis-
trict courts.

On motion of Mr. Melaven of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will limit the hours of labor of employees of street railway corporations to nine hours daily, to be performed inside of eleven consecutive hours.

Hours of labor
of employees on
street railways.

On motion of Mr. Jordan of Windsor, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of providing that, when public documents are forwarded by State officials to public libraries in this Commonwealth, the express on the same shall be prepaid.

Public libraries,
— public docu-
ments.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

away with limiting the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Mercantile
agencies.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State, and to report as to the proper method of regulating their operation.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Hudson, —

Volunteer
Militia, — uni-
form of field
and staff offi-
cers.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of further regulating the uniform of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Clergymen, —
returns of bap-
tisms.

Ordered, That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider the expediency of legislation to require clergymen to make returns to town and city clerks and registrars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

House of cor-
rection in Cam-
bridge, —
employment of
prisoners in the
manufacture of
brushes.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be employed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of correction in Cambridge upon the public account system.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Salary of the
clerk of the
third district
court of East-
ern Middlesex.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Salaries of the
district attor-
ney and assist-
ants for Suffolk
County.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the district attorney and assistant district attorneys for Suffolk county.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —

Salaries of the
board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of a highway commission, and defining its powers and duties. Highway commission.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life. Street railways, — guards for protection of life.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation providing that whenever any accident shall happen in connection with the operation of any street railway, or any injury be occasioned to any person or property (other than property of the street railway company itself) by the electric current, apparatus, plant or fixtures, cars or other rolling stock, or horses, used by any street railway company, such company shall, within forty-eight hours after such accident, make a report in writing and under oath to the board of aldermen of the city, or selectmen of the town, where such accident occurred, giving as fully as possible all circumstances and details, names of employees on duty, and names of witnesses and their residences; every street railway to be required to display a copy of the act in every car used for transporting passengers, and each violation of the act to be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000. Street railways, — reports of accidents.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of such legislation as will allow cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the basis of the valuation of the preceding year, instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years. Rate of taxation in cities.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section one of chapter 146 of the Public Statutes, relating to divorce, by striking out therefrom the words “utter desertion continued for three Libels for divorce.

consecutive years next prior to the filing of the libel," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: "*Section 1.* A divorce from the bond of matrimony may be decreed for adultery, impotency, extreme cruelty, gross and confirmed habits of intoxication, cruel and abusive treatment, or on the libel of the wife when the husband being of sufficient ability grossly or wantonly and cruelly refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for her."

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, —

Soliciting of
employment by
attorneys in
certain cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prevent the multiplying of litigation through the soliciting of retainers or employment in cases of personal injury by attorneys and counsellors-at-law and their agents.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, —

Right of action
of tenants
against land-
lords in certain
cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing that when a recovery in an action of tort is had against a tenant by a party suing for injuries resulting from a defect in the rented premises for which the landlord should fairly be held responsible, the tenant may recover from the landlord the whole or some part of the sum paid by said tenant upon a judgment recovered in such action; provided there is no express contract between the landlord and tenant by which the tenant undertakes to be responsible for such injuries.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Reporter of
decisions of the
supreme
judicial court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of defining more precisely the duties of the reporter of the decisions of the supreme judicial court; also the expediency of increasing his salary and of allowing him a certain sum for clerical assistance and travelling expenses.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Supreme judi-
cial and superior
courts, —
uniformity of
proceedings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapters 150 and 152 of the Public Statutes as to take from the supreme judicial court its original jurisdiction of all actions of contract replevin and all real and mixed actions, except the extraordinary remedies of mandamus, quo warranto, etc., together with the power of removal to said supreme judicial

court from the superior court, and transfer the same to the superior court, or to make such other provision as will secure simplicity, uniformity and symmetry in the jurisdiction and procedure of said courts.

On motion the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 22 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, and section 14 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, so that the several judges of the probate courts and courts of insolvency shall meet within six months after the passage of any legislation herein contemplated, and at least every two years, to make rules for regulating the practice and for conducting the business of their courts, so as to secure better regularity and uniformity in their proceedings.

Probate courts and courts of insolvency, — uniformity of proceedings.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing that in addition to the days fixed by law upon which probate courts are held they may also be held at the shire towns of the several counties at such other times as the respective judges shall appoint.

Terms of probate courts.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment of a special judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk.

Suffolk County, — special judge of probate and insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 32 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to the proof of claims in insolvency, so that claims shall be more fully investigated before the choice of an assignee.

Insolvency, — proof of claims.

On motion of Mr. Barney of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the existing insolvency laws so as to make it clear that the holder of a note who has collateral, proceeding from the endorser, can prove against the maker, give the endorser credit for the dividend and look to his collateral for the balance; and to fix and determine whether or not the endorser shall prove his contingent liability.

Bills and notes, — contingent liability of endorser.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, —

Suffolk County,
— associate
justice of
probate and
insolvency.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing an associate justice for the court of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County.

Papers from the Senate.

Cities, —
examination of
accounts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for a uniform system of accounts of cities, other than Boston, and for their supervision and examination by the Controller of County Accounts, or by some other system of State supervision of said accounts; and for the expense of the same.

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted by officers other than those who receive the same at the various polling places.

Elections, —
marking of
ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of preventing the use, in marking ballots, of anything except black pencils.

Elections, —
vacant spaces
on ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon ballots except those used for marking purposes.

Election offi-
cers, — counting
of ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of changing the method of appointing and paying election officers, or to provide for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point.

Payment of poll
taxes by
political com-
mittees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation to forbid the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or by persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed.

City and town
elections, —
poll tax.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of abolishing the poll tax qualification as a prerequisite for voting in city and town elections.

Elections, — re-
count of votes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and to provide, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any

State, city or town elections for any officer or upon any question submitted to the people, shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by or under direction of the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that no recount of votes, authorized by said section, shall be made unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which a recount is desired receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers. Also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made. Elections, — recount of votes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 81 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing for an increase in the weight of the paper furnished for ballots, or that paper specially prepared for the purpose shall be furnished by the Secretary of State for use at all State, city and town elections. Elections, — ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of requesting the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress to use their efforts to secure the enactment of such laws as will prevent the use of the mails by the Louisiana Lottery Company and other lottery companies. Louisiana lottery.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider and report whether any additional legislation is necessary to prevent the sale of tickets in the Louisiana lottery in this State. Id.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of two additional justices of the superior court. Superior Court, — additional justices.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting the sale of clothing manufactured under unsanitary and unhealthful conditions. Clothing, — sweating system.

Salary of the
assistant libra-
rian of the State
library.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the assistant librarian to \$3,000 per annum.

Schedule of
valuation of
real estate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation requiring the several towns and cities in the Commonwealth, beginning with the year 1893, to publish, as often as once in three or five years, a schedule of valuation with the amount of tax levied upon each piece or parcel of real estate within their individual limits with the name of person or persons against whom said property may be assessed.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Dolan of Boston : —

Consolidation of
gas and electric
companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations.

The House order, —

Joint special
committee, —
public reserva-
tions.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, consisting of seven members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, who shall inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more numerous commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea coasts, river-banks, hill-tops or other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular, —

Came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred, and that Messrs. Fernald and Kimball had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch. The Speaker announced as the committee on the part of the House Messrs. Blodgett of Templeton, Bennett of Everett, Hoyt of Haverhill, Leonard of Waltham, McLean of Cambridge, Nichols of Southborough and Driscoll of Springfield.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
Dairy Bureau.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the State Board of Agriculture, accepted by

the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill.

A Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer (Senate, No. 7), (introduced on leave in the Senate); and Executive stenographer.

A Resolve in favor of the Soldier's Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 8), (reported on a petition); Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of Henry Denver and others that they may be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Boston. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Savings bank in Boston.

Petition of the Public Water Board of the city of Lynn for legislation to secure the more effectual collection of water rates in certain cases. To the committee on Cities. City of Lynn,—water rates.

Petition of Arthur B. Breed and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Sale of trout artificially propagated.

Petitions of John H. Clark and others, and of Wm. Brown and others,—severally, that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class shall be granted. Intoxicating liquors,—agents in no-license cities and towns.

Petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees, other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises. Intoxicating liquors,—violations of provisions of licenses.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Petition of Edwin T. Marble for change of name of the Old Men's Home of the city of Worcester. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Old Men's Home of the city of Worcester.

Petition of Adrian B. Smith, assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary. Salary of the assistant clerk of the South Boston municipal court.

Salary of the
chief of
district police.

Petition of Rufus R. Wade that the salary of the chief of the district police may be increased.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Taken from the Files.

Report of Harbor and Land Commissioners, — boundary line between city of Gloucester and towns of Essex and Ipswich.

On motions of Mr. Fall of Ipswich, so much of the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to the boundary lines between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Railroad from Weymouth to Marshfield.

On motions of Mr. Richmond of Abington, the petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Taxation of houses of religious worship.

On motions of Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, the Bill relating to the exemption of houses of religious worship from taxation was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Sunday newspapers.

On motions of Mr. Wellman of Malden, the petition of Joseph Cook and others that a hearing may be granted in support of a resolution passed by the Massachusetts Sabbath convention, and asking for a repeal of the present legalization of the printing and distribution of newspapers on Sunday, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

General Court, — mileage of members.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to the members of the General Court. (House, No. 40.)

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill

making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters. (House No. 42.)

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. (House No. 45.) Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater. (House, No. 44.) Id.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock. (House, No. 39.) Plymouth and Kingston Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature, and on orders, a Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Railroad passes to members of the Legislature.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the Legislative and Executive departments of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ; and

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State house loan sinking fund 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (House, No. 37) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (House, No. 36) was read a second time and considered. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 2, line 6, by inserting after the word "acquired," the word "property." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, at quarter-past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, a Bill to amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof. Read and referred to the committee on Cities, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Civil service.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston. Read and referred to the committee on Cities, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

City of Boston,
— construction,
maintenance
and inspection
of buildings.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, a Bill relative to the duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Read and referred to the committee on Public Service, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston. To the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

City of Boston,
— board of
police.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, petition of William J. Coughlin and others for the incorporation of the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell.

Washington
Savings Institu-
tion of Lowell.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits.

Savings banks,
— interest on
deposits.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of
Somerville, —
funded debt.

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, petition of the mayor of Somerville for an amendment of chapter 194 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to the payment of the funded debt of said city.

City of Fall
River, — salary
of common
councilmen.

By Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the common council.

City of Boston,
— pensions.

By Mr. Turner of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of
Waltham, —
sewers.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of the mayor of Waltham for a modification of the existing law regarding the method of payment of the sewer debt of said city.

Id.

By the same gentlemen, petition of the mayor of Waltham that said city may be authorized to borrow the sum of \$75,000 for completing its system of sewers and extending its system of surface drainage.

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

Prohibition
party.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes.

Day of the State
election a legal
holiday.

By Mr. Graham of Quincy, petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Bass River, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, petition of the citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries.

Id.

By the same gentleman, petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the Acts of the year 1849, relating to fisheries in Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, petition of George R. Wixon and 66 others of Fairhaven for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of Charles Bryant and others of Mattapoisett for such legislation as will exclude from the waters of Buzzard's Bay, all nets, traps, pounds and weirs.

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way. Fish weirs.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of Dudley P. Bailey of Everett for the termination of the business of so-called endowment societies. To the committee on Insurance. Endowment societies.

By the same gentleman, petition of a special committee of the Boston Associated Board of Trade for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Attachments.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed. Labor, — employment of persons unemployed.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petition of William McNaught and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees. Hours of labor of employees in paper mills.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of the law so that one place may be licensed for each 500 of the population for the sale of intoxicating liquors in said city. To the committee on the Liquor Law. City of Fall River, — liquor licenses.

By Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, petition of the Beverly Marine Railway Corporation that it may be authorized to mortgage its property. Beverly Marine Railway Corporation.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, petition of the mayor of Salem that the board of aldermen of said city may be authorized to remove poles, wires or other structures from the highways and streets of said city. City of Salem, — removal of poles, wires and other structures.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, petition of Thomas D. Roberts for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Home and the Appleton Temporary Home. Boston Industrial Home, — Appleton Temporary Home.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association. Maplewood Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, petition of John J. Donovan and others for the incorporation of the Middlesex Real Estate Company of Lowell. Middlesex Real Estate Company of Lowell.

Slade Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of William L. Slade and others for the incorporation of the Slade Cemetery Association.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Betsey Worthington.

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Agawam that an annuity may be granted to Betsey Worthington, widow of a veteran of the war of 1812. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Boston Emergency Hospital.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Metropolitan Park Commission, — public reservations.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others, of the trustees of public reservations, of the mayor of Cambridge and others, of the park commissioners of Stoneham and others, of the park commissioners of Lynn and of the officers of the town of Saugus, of the city officers of Chelsea, of the water commissioners of Cambridge, of the town officers of Wellesley and of George W. Hammond and others; and by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, petition of Roswell B. Lawrence and others of Medford, — severally for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Old Colony Railroad, — Roxbury crossing.

By Mr. Mooney of Boston, petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road-beds and tracks of the Providence Division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills. To the committee on Railroads.

Use of halls in cities and towns.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of T. C. Brophy for a law granting the free use of halls owned by towns and cities for meetings of citizens.

Easthampton, — refunding of money paid for a liquor license.

By Mr. Nutting of Northampton, petition of the selectmen of Easthampton that said town may be authorized to refund to the sister of Edward O'Donnel a portion of the amount paid by said O'Donnel for a liquor license.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

City of Malden and towns of Malden and

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, petition of the water boards of Malden, Medford and Melrose for legislation

granting the control over and public rights in Spot Pond to the municipalities using said pond as a water supply. Melrose, — Spot Pond.

By Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the protection of the water supply of said city, so as to permit the assessment of betterments upon lands benefited. City of Fall River, — water supply.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of C. C. Chaffee and others for legislation to prevent cruelty to children. Children.

By Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, petition of George A. Galloupe that the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society may receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home. Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society, — Lamson Home.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of James Burke that the annuity granted to him on account of injuries received in the Hoosac Tunnel may be continued. To the committee on Finance. James Burke.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, petition of the county commissioners of Norfolk for authority to raise \$75,000 for remodeling and enlarging the court house of said county. To the committee on County Estimates. Norfolk County, — court house.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of the Connecticut River Railroad Company for increase of its capital stock, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 9th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gillett, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference. Connecticut River Railroad Company.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of requiring all commissions, boards and officials who Boards and commissions, — annual reports.

regularly report to the General Court, to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January, annually.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, —

Deposits of
towns or cities
in banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of a general law limiting the amount of money which a town or city may deposit in a single bank or banking institution, and providing that such deposits shall not at any one time exceed a certain percentage of the capital of the bank.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Erection of
public buildings
in cities for
working men
and women.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting-hall, reading-room, proper arrangements for baths, and rooms for recreation; also of providing that the minimum expense of \$15,000 shall be advanced from the treasury of the Commonwealth, and that each city shall be at liberty to appropriate such additional sum as it sees fit, and that upon refunding to the Commonwealth the amount advanced, the city shall become the owner of the building and appointments, otherwise the title of the same to be and remain in the Commonwealth; also of providing that in the city of Boston the minimum expenditure shall be \$30,000 and that the sum shall be advanced to said city from the treasury of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— construction
of buildings.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an act relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston, so that the material therein required for deafening floors shall be plaster at least one inch thick, or asbestos, magnesio-calcite, or other fire-proof paper at least one-sixteenth of an inch thick or other incombustible material satisfactory to the inspector.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, —

Pensioning of
policemen and
firemen.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of requiring all constitutional amendments when submitted to the people to be printed in full and posted at the polling places, and also published or posted in such other manner as may be thought expedient.

Constitutional amendments.

On motion of Mr. Lyford of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the constitution of the Commonwealth so as to provide for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

Constitutional Amendment, — biennial elections.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of so amending the statutes relating to sewers and drains, as to provide that the city council of any city or the selectmen of any town may by ordinance adopt such system of assessments to cover the cost and maintenance of sewers as will be most equitable to the city or town and the citizens thereof adopting the same; so that the city council of any city, and the selectmen of any town may by ordinance prescribe the method by which assessments levied for the cost of the construction and maintenance of sewers shall be levied either upon the value of the real estate benefited thereby, or according to the actual benefit conferred, or from the number of connections made, or by an annual assessment sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest upon the sewerage debt and the cost of maintenance, or by such other method which to the city council or selectmen may appear just and equitable to all parties benefited.

Maintenance of sewers.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that the Board of Education may take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms; and of providing for the safe keeping, management and investment of said funds under suitable safeguards, re-

State Board of Education, — power to take and hold in trust grants, devises, donations, bequests, etc., for certain purposes.

quiring the officers entrusted with the care thereof to report to the General Court; also of providing that, in ascertaining the income of the several funds, the net income from all the aggregate funds shall be divided pro rata to said several funds; also of providing that when the income is by the terms of a gift, grant, devise or bequest to be paid to trustees, the receipt of such trustees shall be a sufficient discharge to the Board of Education; also of providing that the supreme judicial court may have jurisdiction in equity to hear and determine questions arising in the administration of the funds; also of repealing section 2 of chapter 41 of the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, —

Public schools
in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending the laws of the Commonwealth that all towns in said Commonwealth shall be required to maintain a sufficient number of schools to accommodate all pupils of school age in said towns for a period of not less than thirty weeks in each year.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, —

Elections, —
political parties.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the existing laws that any political party having cast not less than two per centum of the total vote cast for all the candidates for Governor at the election preceding the annual election, may have all its candidates printed upon the official ballot.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, —

Lobsters.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of providing that it shall be lawful to take, catch and sell or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length; and of repealing so much of the existing law as is inconsistent with the above provisions.

On motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, —

Beaches, —
taking of
ballast.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of increasing the penalty for the removal of stones, gravel, sand or other material from the beaches of the Commonwealth by persons unauthorized thereto; or of such other legislation as shall effectually prevent the unauthorized taking of ballast from said beaches.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation providing for the more speedy, simple and economical winding up the various so-called endowment orders and investment companies and other corporations which are established or exist in violation of law, or which are doing any fraudulent, gambling, or other illegal business, or which have become insolvent.

Endowment
orders and
investment
companies.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled “An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions,” that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where the deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891 by transposing the words “by” and “to” in the last line but one of said section, so that said section when amended shall read as follows: “*Section 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee.”

Id.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation requiring corporations or individuals to maintain and construct in all rooms where machinery, shafting, belting and the like are in operation, some electrical or other connection with the engineer’s room or power-house, so that in case of accident an immediate signal can be given to shut off the power.

Manufacturing
corporations, —
communications
between rooms
in buildings.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting by law the hours of labor of street railway employees so that nine hours labor performed in eleven consecutive hours shall constitute a day’s work; sufficient time to be allowed for meals.

Hours of labor
of street railway
employees.

Labor
organizations.

On motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting any person or corporation from coercing or compelling any person or persons to enter into an agreement, either written or verbal, not to join or become a member of any labor organization, as a condition of such person or persons securing employment or continuing in the employment of any such person or corporation.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will limit the hours of employment of women and children in mercantile and manufacturing establishments to fifty-four hours per week.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
licensing boards
in cities.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out in the fourth line the word “may” and inserting in place thereof the word “shall” and by striking out all after the word “commissioners” in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the following: “Who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the aldermen, and such board shall consist of three inhabitants of said city. The mayor and aldermen shall on the first Monday of April, 1892, appoint three commissioners, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year respectively, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in April one commissioner for three years, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and confirmed. These commissioners shall receive such compensation as the mayor and aldermen shall determine, and such compensation shall be paid from the money received from license fees.”

Towns, —
boards of
health.

On motion of Mr. Casey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending the present law, allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns.

Erection of
barns near
dwelling houses.

On motion of Mr. McLean of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will prevent the building or use of barns, sheds or other

buildings commonly used by cattle or other domestic animals in the cities of the Commonwealth, within 150 feet of any dwelling house.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Public Reservations consider the expediency of legislation to the effect that the State Board of Agriculture, or some other board or officer of the Commonwealth, collect statistics and information concerning forests, woodlands and public parks within the State, report and publish so much thereof as may be deemed advisable, and make such recommendations and suggestions upon said subjects as the public interests relating thereto may require.

Metropolitan Park Commission, — public reservations.

On motion of Mr. Toomey of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884 entitled “An Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof,” as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirements of civil service examinations.”

Laborers, — exemption from civil service.

On motion of Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories in the Commonwealth from one thousand dollars per year, the sum now paid, to twelve hundred dollars per year.

District police, — salaries of women inspectors.

On motion of Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the justice and of the clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salaries of the justice and clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Battles of Brockton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to two thousand dollars, and that of the clerk of said court to fifteen hundred dollars.

Salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Brockton.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider and report upon what legislation may be necessary to secure quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York.

Railroad transportation between Boston and New York.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Palmer, —

Railroad corporations, —
damages caused
by fire.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received on such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fire.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, —

Railroads, —
upper berths in
sleeping cars.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of a law to prevent railroad or sleeping car companies doing business in this State, from letting down upper berths in their sleeping cars when not in use; and of declaring such companies to be common carriers.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Railroads, —
rates of fare.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of compelling the railroads doing business in this Commonwealth, or operated under its laws, which pay an annual dividend of six per cent., or more, and whose stock is selling at 115 or over, to carry passengers at a rate of fare not exceeding two cents per mile.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of further legislation by which all professional tramps, otherwise known as legislative agents, lobbyists, or third house members, be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House, and, in the plying of their vocation, be limited to the lower floors of the building.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Lowell, —

Street railways.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of such legislation as will give the mayor and board of aldermen of a city, or the selectmen of towns, authority to allow electric roads to take up the track of horse railroads and put down tracks for electric roads; allowing horse railroads whose tracks have been taken up to use said tracks of the electric roads.

On motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, —

Hospitals in
towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes so that a town may erect, establish and maintain a hospital for the reception of persons able to pay and paying for their treatment, as well as for those who are unable to pay.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation which shall make more distinct the meaning of that part of section 5 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1891, which determines the tenure of office of the water commissioners of the city of Haverhill.

City of
Haverhill, —
water com-
missioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 18 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes by striking out the words “or leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode,” in the eighth and ninth line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the words “in hand.”

Poor debtors, —
arrests on exe-
cution, — ser-
vice of notice.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that when in a civil case in a district, police or municipal court, judgment is rendered for the plaintiff by default or without any evidence being put in by the defendant, and an appeal is taken to the superior court, the decision and finding of the judge or justice of the district, police or municipal court shall be *prima facie* evidence in the superior court of the facts so found, or of the facts involved in such decision.

Findings of
inferior courts
to be *prima*
facie evidence
in the superior
court.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall abolish or suppress street bands, and of making it an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment for any two or more persons, who depend upon or look to casual contributions for their compensation, to go about playing musical instruments in the public ways and streets of cities and towns.

Street bands.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of abolishing, regulating or reducing bail fees in cases of drunkenness and other misdemeanors; also of such legislation as will authorize chiefs of police, keepers of lock-ups, or other responsible persons, to accept bail in such cases.

Bail fees.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending sections 57 and 58 of

Supreme
judicial court,
— reporter of
decisions.

chapter 159 of the Public Statutes, as to relieve the reporter of decisions from reporting all decisions, and to require him to report no decision which the court shall determine is not of sufficient importance to be reported.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, —

Witness fees
and costs in
certain cases.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation giving to judges of the supreme, superior and district courts power in their discretion to make a reduction of witness fees and other costs in cases where two or more cases are tried together.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

City of Boston,
— probation
officers in the
municipal court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the number of probation officers in the municipal court of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Policy shops
and lotteries.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries within this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Giles of Somerville, —

Embalming of
human bodies.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation so that no embalming fluid of any kind, or any substitute therefor, shall be injected into any body until examination has been made by some medical examiner and a certificate given of the cause of death.

On motion of Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, —

Dealings in
margins in
securities and
grain.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chapter 437 of the Acts of the year 1890, and the laws in reference to gambling, so that the same shall apply to dealings in margins, in securities, grain, produce or other commodities, where no actual transaction is intended.

On motion of Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, —

Foreign
guardians.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 139 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that the moral character of a foreign guardian may be inquired into before property is turned over to him, and that such property need not be turned over to him if upon inquiry he shall appear to be an improper person for the trust.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of suitable compensation to the Dairy Bureau for time actually employed and expenses incurred in the work of the bureau.

Dairy Bureau.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of providing some method or methods for the destruction of foxes, skunks and other predatory vermin that are destructive of poultry, sheep and lambs.

Destruction of
foxes and
skunks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits.

Streets.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial elections of State and county officers, and members of the General Court.

Constitutional
Amendments,—
biennial elec-
tions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial sessions of the Legislature.

Constitutional
Amendments,—
biennial sessions
of the Legisla-
ture.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial elections of State and county officers and members of the General Court, and annual sessions of the Legislature.

Constitutional
Amendments,—
biennial elec-
tions and annual
sessions.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit towns to adopt a system of sewerage and assess the cost or a part thereof upon the abutters according to the value of the estates to be benefited thereby less the value of the buildings thereon; and to determine the proportional part of the cost of sewers and main drains which shall be borne by the town; and to limit or determine the time within which assessments for the construction of sewers and main drains shall be made upon the estates benefited thereby.

Towns,—
sewer assess-
ments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation requiring the State to furnish, and voters to use in marking their ballots, some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch.

Elections,—
marking of
ballots.

Elections, —
specimen
ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to send cards of instruction and specimen ballots separate from the official ballots, and shall require city and town clerks to cause the same to be posted up in the polling places on the day of election prior to the opening of the polls.

Poll tax, —
qualification of
voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall make assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting.

Elections, —
compensation of
election officers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation fixing the compensation of election officers and tellers at elections.

Elections, —
ballot commis-
sioners.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law for the compensation of the ballot commissioners appointed by the Governor.

Town elections,
— returns of
election officers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing for the examination of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts, and for the correction of errors discovered therein.

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and of such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes.

Id.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending sections 1 and 3 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word "city" wherever it occurs; also of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the whole of said section or the part of said section which requires separate canvasses of each block of ballots; also of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness and to be called "counters," and that their duties be defined by statute. Also of amending section 89 of chapter 423

of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot box may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are opened.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers; by extending the time for filling vacancies in such offices until the first day of December, by providing that no deputy officer shall serve in place of a regular officer at any election, unless the principal for whom he was appointed deputy is absent at the opening of the polls, and that such deputy shall then serve the entire day. Also of amending section 78 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by extending the time for the removal of election officers to the day set for closing registration of voters for the annual town and city elections.

Elections,
election officers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall permit the supreme judicial court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years.

Supreme
judicial court, —
titles to land.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth and the assistant district attorneys of Suffolk or any of them to such sum or sums as shall be commensurate with the duties now required of them by law and the additional duties to be imposed upon them by the recommendation of the Attorney General in his annual report concerning the argument of exceptions in criminal cases.

Salaries of dis-
trict attorneys
of the Common-
wealth and as-
sistant district
attorneys of
Suffolk County.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation giving the District Police greater powers in the enforcement of labor laws,

District Police,
— labor laws.

so called ; also of extending and more clearly defining the jurisdiction of the courts in relation thereto ; and providing forms of complaints for violations of any of said laws.

Employment of
private armed
bodies of men
by corporations
and individuals.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit the hiring and use of private bodies of armed men who are non-residents of the State by private individuals or corporations.

Nails.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures be requested to consider and report whether, and if so what, changes are desirable in sections 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes, relating to nails.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Presho of Boston : —

City of Boston,
— duty of the
city clerk in
elections

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall transfer the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the board of registrars of said city.

The following orders were severally laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston : —

City of Boston,
— Deer Island.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Chance of Boston : —

City of
Northampton,—
grade crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary to prevent the carrying into effect the report of the commission appointed by the superior court to consider the separation and changing the several grade crossings of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, Connecticut River and Boston and Maine Railroads in the city of Northampton.

The following order was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester : —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures inquire and report upon the expediency of re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1877, entitled: "An Act in relation to the **Dorchester Gas Light Company**," and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same, or contiguous territories; subject however in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester:—

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations. **Consolidation of gas and electric light corporations.**

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation necessary for the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now is done, — **Semi-monthly payment of employees in State institutions.**

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the word "Labor" and inserting in place thereof the words "Public Service," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide a remedy in case of alleged violation of the law by fraternal beneficiary corporations, associations and societies, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance. **Fraternal beneficiary corporations,— violation of law.**

A Bill to extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston (Senate, No. 9) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. **Bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston.**

A Bill to amend an Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. **Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.**

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Williamstown
Savings Bank.

Petition of Keyes Danforth that he and associates may be incorporated as the Williamstown Savings Bank. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of New
Bedford, —
parks.

Petition of the mayor of the city of New Bedford that said city may be authorized to issue bonds for park purposes.

City of Marl-
borough. —
superintendent
of schools.

Petition of a committee appointed by the city council of the city of Marlborough for an amendment of the charter of said city, so as to make the appointment of superintendent of schools as secretary of the board optional with the school committee.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Schools, —
superintendents
and supervisors,
— truants.

Petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school and relative to truants and their support; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners. To the committee on Education.

Great Council
of the Improved
Order of Red
Men of Massa-
chusetts.

Petition of Charles H. Litchman and others that the organization known as the "Great Council of the Improved Order of Red Men of Massachusetts" may be incorporated and authorized to hold real and personal estate for the purpose of its incorporation. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Massachusetts
General Hos-
pital.

Petition of the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital for an appropriation from the State treasury.

City of Boston,
— commission-
ers of public in-
stitutions.

Petition of Alice G. Parker that a woman may be appointed as a member of the Commissioners of Public Institutions of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Board of Regis-
tration in Phar-
macy.

Petition of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy for an appropriation of \$2,000 from the State treasury. To the committee on Public Health.

Public reserva-
tions, — prov-
ince lands on
Cape Cod.

Petition of the trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod. To the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Petition of John L. Ambrose, first assistant clerk of courts of the county of Middlesex, for increase of salary.

Salary of the first assistant clerk of courts of Middlesex County.

Petition of William C. Dillingham, second assistant clerk of courts of the county of Middlesex, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the second assistant clerk of courts of Middlesex County.

Petition of John R. Baldwin and others that the salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn may be increased.

Salary of the clerk of the Lynn police court.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Newton for the abolition of grade crossings in said city. To the committee on Railroads.

City of Newton, — grade crossing.

Petition of Albert B. Currier and others for the better and further taxation of chattels, the disposal of taxes derived therefrom, the relief of mortgagors and the prohibition of contracts to assume taxes on mortgage loans not laid by existing laws. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation of chattels.

Petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in the town of Webster. To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Town of Webster, — fire district.

A petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Savings banks, — St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Charles of Boston from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 273 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the district court of Southern Norfolk, so that the dates of holding the court in Stoughton and Canton respectively may be particularly specified. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 48.)

Appropriation bill.

Home for Aged Men.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate. (House, No. 46.)

Boston Rubber Shoe Company.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock. (House, No. 47.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Executive stenographer.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve to authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer ought to pass. (Senate, No. 7.) Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, in part, a Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Files.

New Bedford Real Estate Association.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 29) was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Agriculture.

Reconsideration.

Annexation of a part of Northampton to Holyoke

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 9th joint rule on the petition of the mayor of Holyoke for the annexation of a part of the city of Northampton to the city

of Holyoke. After debate the motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles F. Loring (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock (House, No. 39) ; Orders of the day.

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters (House, No 42) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 44) ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (House, No. 45) ; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court (House, No. 40) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (House, No. 37) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, at twenty-five minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 5, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Ball of Upton, a member of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Framingham
Normal School.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, a Resolve to provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School. Read and referred to the committee on Education, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Towns of
Mattapoisett,
Marion and
Rochester, —
eels and white
perch.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, a Bill for the better protection of eels and white perch in the towns of Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester. Read and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, a Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors. Read and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Id.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of free liquor. Read and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Id.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage. Read and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Protection of
gas consumers.

By Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, a Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges. Read and referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Volunteer
militia.

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, a Bill to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Brock of Lynn, a Bill regulating the sale and purchase of poisons. Read and referred to the committee on Public Health, as recommended by the committee on Rules. Poisons.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Daly of Lynn, a Bill to prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules. Counterfeiting of trade-marks, labels and stamps.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, petition of H. E. Clayton for legislation regulating the reserve required to be held by safe deposit, loan and trust companies. Safe deposit, loan and trust companies, — reserve funds.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company. Shawmut Trust Company.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Garfield of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for authority to make certain improvements in West Street in said city. City of Brockton, — street improvement.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority to take additional land for armory, parade and drill purposes. City of Lowell, — armory.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of Isaac Rosnosky for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled “An Act to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston.” City of Boston, — Mount Hope Cemetery.

By the same gentleman, petition of Isaac Rosnosky that the park commissioners of the city of Boston may be authorized to take Jamaica Pond and Ward’s Pond, and land surrounding the same, for a public park for the city of Boston. City of Boston, — public park.

By Mr. Fallon of Boston, petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the city of Boston may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for public park purposes at the North End. Id.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment of the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and Constitutional amendment, — biennial or triennial elections and sessions.

members of the General Court ; and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

City of Brockton, — Easton and West Bridgewater.

By Mr. Garfield of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for authority to take lands in Easton and West Bridgewater for sewerage purposes. To the committee on Drainage.

Elections and caucuses. — registration of voters, — aliens.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax. To the committee on Election Laws.

Wild fowl

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petitions of W. Hobart and others, and of Oliver W. Chenery and others, — severally, for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to permit the pursuing of wild fowl with a sailboat.

Id.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of Jonathan H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth.

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, petition of George A. Snell and others for a modification of the law prohibiting sein-ing in Buzzard's Bay, so as to permit taking fish with gill nets within one-half mile from the shore, and taking fish for bait.

Mattapoisett, Marion, — eels, white perch.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of F. W. Underwood and others for the better protection of the eel and white perch fishery in Mattapoisett and Marion.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Town of Winthrop, — pilot.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, petition of Lucius Floyd and others for legislation providing for a pilot for the town of Winthrop, and fixing his compensation.

Trap's Creek Fishing Company.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Thomas G. Coffin and other members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to dig a channel through a flat which is dry at ebb tide.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Massachusetts Benefit Association.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute its funds in the State treasury, and its benefit and reserve fund, equitably among its members. To the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Winslow of Norwood, petition of John R. Bul-
lard and others of Dedham for the establishment of a new
judicial district in Norfolk County, embracing the towns
of Dedham and Norwood.

Norfolk County,
— judicial dis-
trict for Dedham
and Norwood.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, petition of the officers of
the town of Norfolk for the establishment of a new judi-
cial district in Norfolk County.

Id.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, petition of Robert W.
Lyman that registers of deeds may be allowed to reside
anywhere in their registry district, providing they have an
assistant residing in the city or town where the registry is.

Registers of
deeds.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hale of Tyringham, petition of H. F. Keith
and others for the incorporation of the South Berkshire
Mountain Club.

South Berkshire
Mountain Club.

By Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, petition of Joseph Rob-
bins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Im-
provement Association.

Co-operative
Improvement
Association.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petition of A. M.
Bridgeman and another for incorporation for publishing
purposes.

Publication of
legal and legis-
lative notices.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, petition of Michael J.
Fleming that he may be made eligible to receive State
aid.

Michael J.
Fleming.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of John Brickley
that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

John Brickley.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, petition of Ella Raymond for
compensation for injuries received by her husband while
in the discharge of militia duty.

Ella Raymond.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, petition of William Burt
that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

William Burt.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, petition of William
Little and others, owners of pews in the meeting house
of the First Parish in Newbury, for an act of incorpora-
tion.

First Parish in
Newbury.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, petition of the Pilgrim
Congregational Church for authority to convey its meet-
ing house, parsonage and fund.

Pilgrim Congre-
gational Church.

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious
Societies.

Medical science. By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission of medical science. To the committee on Public Health.

Metropolitan park commission, — public reservations. By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of Onslow Gilmore and others of Stoneham, of W. W. Lowe and others of Saugus, of Arthur E. Whitney and others of Winchester, of Elihu B. Hayes and others of Lynn, of John S. Hayes and others of Somerville, of the town officers of Milton, and of the Brookline park commissioners, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a metropolitan park commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk. By Mr. Rivers of Milton, petition of John P. S. Churchill, clerk of the district court of East Norfolk, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

Taxation, — lists of personal property. By Mr. Batcheller of Sutton, petition of John G. Avery and others for the better taxation of chattels, the securing of sworn lists thereof and the disposal of taxes derived therefrom. To the committee on Taxation.

Town of Chatham. By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of the town of Chatham for authority to refund its bonds. To the committee on Towns.

Woman suffrage. By Mr. Gallup of Clarksburg, petitions of Anna W. Rudd and others of Becket, and of E. D. Wood and others of South Deerfield; by Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of S. W. Root and others; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of Frances E. Lord and others; by Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of Alice J. Carter and others; by Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of William C. Chipman and others of Sandwich; by Mr. Fay of Northampton, petition of S. E. Bridgeman and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of Obed Nickerson and others of South Harwich; by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, petition of D. W. Hodgkins and others of East Brookfield; by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, petition of D. B. Cole and 80 others; by Mr. Atwood of Kingston, petition of Hannah R. Holbrook and others of Duxbury; by Mr. Friend of Gloucester, petition of Albert Story and others of Rockport; by Mr. Batcheller of Lynn, petition of Lizzie F. Higgins and others; by Mr. Clark of

Palmer, petition of Mrs. C. P. Carpenter and others ; by Mr. Smith of Gloucester, petition of E. C. Charlton and others ; and by Mr. Miller of Conway, petition of Mrs. H. B. Fox and others of Whately, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, petition of George F. Bicknell and others that terms of the probate court of the county of Bristol may be held at Attleborough. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Bristol County,
— terms of the
probate court.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board to be created for that purpose.

City of Boston,
— board of
license com-
missioners.

On motion of Mr. Nye of Barnstable, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth, to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein.

Boards of
police in cities
and towns.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing for the substitution of a single legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston, as now established by law ; such single legislative body to be elected for a term of two or more years, a part only thereof to be elected each year ; and providing for minority representation in voting for the members of said body.

City of Boston,
— single legis-
lative body.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

City of Boston,
— term of office
of the mayor.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston shall be two years.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— police to be
controlled by
the mayor.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of placing the control of the police force of the city of Boston in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor of said city.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

City of Boston, —
Suffolk County
court house.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will place the new court house for the county of Suffolk in charge of the city of Boston for completion after the first day of January next, and for such other legislation as may tend to expedite the construction of said building.

On motion of Mr. Fallon of Boston, —

City of Boston
— public park.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to borrow five hundred thousand dollars for public park purposes, the same to be expended for a park in wards 6 and 7 of said city.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— statistics re-
lating to health.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks, so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston, with the board of health of said city, instead of the city clerk or city registrar.

On motion of Mr. Lanigan of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— sidewalks.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the sidewalks of such street, or of a part of such street specified in the petition, may be paved with brick, granite or other covering, and edgestone set as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending sections 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 167 of the Acts of the year 1846, sections 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 105 of the Acts of the year 1861, chapter 176 of the Acts of the year 1864, chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1865, section 2 of chapter 159 of the Acts of the year 1871, section 2 of chapter 85 of the Acts of the year 1872, sections 6 and 7 of chapter 400 of the Acts of the year 1874, all relating to the water supplies of the city of Boston, so as to provide that the city of Boston shall pay into the sinking funds created for meeting the water debts at maturity only the sums required to carry out the purposes of said sinking funds, and to use the balance of the income for the laying of pipes or such other purposes as the city council may determine. City of Boston,
— water supply.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the Cochituate water supply for the city of Boston, in such manner as to provide that the cost of extensions of pipe may be defrayed from the income derived from water rates, and that the surplus income from the said water rates shall be applied to the sinking fund for the benefit of the Cochituate water loans, or to such other purpose as the city council may determine. Id.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, a sewer may be laid in such street, or a part of such street specified in the petition, as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of said chapter. City of Boston,
— sewers.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending section 10 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, City of Boston,
— highways.

that a less sum than twenty-five per cent. of the estimated cost of laying out and constructing a street shall be required before the street commissioners of said city shall order the laying out and construction of such street.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

City of Boston,
— highways.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, by striking out the proviso contained in section 10, relating to the cost of the work done under said section.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney of Boston, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will authorize the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

City of Boston,
— parks.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for

the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing that the enacting style and method of publishing the regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston shall be such as the board of aldermen of said city shall by regulation prescribe.

City of Boston,
— regulations
of the board of
aldermen.

On motion of Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building in accordance with the original design.

Normal Art
School building.

On motion of Mr. Kelly of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach.

School teachers.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years.

Compulsory
school age.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation of real and personal estate as shown by the last returns thereof does not exceed one-half million dollars.

Public schools
in towns.

On motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in connection with and supplementary to the rudimentary instruction given in the public schools, with a view to providing a system for those who desire a higher education.

Evening
schools.

The principal features of said system to be as follows, viz. : —

First. A systematized course of free lectures on history, science, philosophy and political economy by a competent corps of lecturers.

Second. The compilation, printing and distribution among the attendants at these lectures of a card or pamphlet giving the titles and names of authors of the best reference books upon the subjects under consideration.

Third. The school committees of the cities and towns to provide suitable places for said lectures.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Poll tax, —
women voters.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of abolishing the poll tax for women as a prerequisite for voting.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, —

Elections, —
voters.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so altering and amending the laws of the Commonwealth as to more clearly define who are voters in the towns and cities in said Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Presbo of Boston, —

Registration of
voters.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the laws of registration of voters so as to conform to the Constitution as amended in regard to the poll tax.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —

Poll tax, —
municipal
elections.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by striking out therefrom so much thereof as is included in the following words: “and who has paid, by himself, his parent, master or guardian, a State or county tax assessed upon him in this State within two years next preceding such election and also every citizen who shall be by law exempted from taxation, and who shall be in all other respects qualified as above mentioned.” And otherwise as may be necessary to carry out the intention of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the payment of a tax as a prerequisite to the right of citizens to vote.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Registrars of
voters, — voting
places and pre-
dict officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that the board of regis-

trars of voters in cities shall have the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers and of all election machinery.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the issue by railroad corporations, to legislative, judicial or executive officers, of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally.

Railroads, —
rates of fare to
legislative,
judicial or
executive off-
cers.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, and chapter 307 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire.

Fire-escapes.

On motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the employment of aliens on public works within the Commonwealth.

Employment of
aliens on public
works.

On motion of Mr. Delaney of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1891, so as to read as follows: "No employer shall impose a fine upon, or withhold the wages or any part of the wages of, an employee engaged at weaving, for imperfections that may arise during the process of weaving; and the system now employed by manufacturers, of grading their work, shall in no way affect or lessen the wages of those engaged at weaving."

Weavers.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 385 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to provide that the expert assistants to the State Board of Arbitration shall have voice and vote in the settlement of matters coming before the board.

State Board of
Arbitration, —
expert assist-
ants.

On motion of Mr. Roe of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of authorizing the librarian of the State library to expend a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars in carrying out the suggestions made in his annual

State Librarian,
— card index of
current news-
papers.

report, relative to preparing a card index of current newspapers.

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, —

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, in billiard or
pool rooms.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in connection with billiard and pool rooms, bowling alleys, or any other places of amusement.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Intoxicating
liquors, — trien-
nial vote on the
question of
granting
licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote, in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth, on the question of granting liquor licenses.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, —

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors."

On motion of Mr. Halley of Lawrence, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word "Boston" in the eighth line of section 1, the words "and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election, or town so voting at its annual meeting."

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending the clause pertaining to the sale of intoxicating liquors, in lines 17 and 18 of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to read: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city (or town) not exceeding one for each five hundred of the population?" ; or of amending said section in such other manner as to make it possible to properly submit the question to the voters of each town and city, whether one license shall be granted for each five hundred of the population.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Electricity.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation reducing and regulating the price of electricity.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. Returns of gas companies.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing and regulating the business of mercantile agencies, credit companies and collection bureaus. Mercantile agencies.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this State, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath, containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each, and the number of shares held by each one. Foreign corporations, — lists of stockholders.

On motion of Mr. Kelly of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of preventing telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more. Telegraph companies, — delivery of messages.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing by law that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth, at the expense of the Commonwealth. Kellen's Index Digest.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of re-publishing the first five volumes of the Massachusetts special laws. Massachusetts special laws.

On motion of Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending the laws concerning the support of the insane as to relieve towns with less than \$500,000 valuation, of the expense of maintaining such insane as may have legal settlements in such towns at the State lunatic hospitals. Insane paupers.

Schools, —
contagious
diseases.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools, or among school children.

Metropolitan
park commis-
sion, — public
reservations.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Public Reservations consider the expediency of creating a metropolitan park commission, with authority to secure for park purposes lands in the cities and towns in the vicinity of the city of Boston.

Salary of the
judge of the
third district
court of Eastern
Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the judge of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salaries of the
district police.

On motion of Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of grading or otherwise further regulating the salaries of the members of the district police.

Railroads, —
upper berths in
sleeping cars.

On motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of a law to prevent railroad or sleeping-car companies doing business in this State from letting down upper berths in their sleeping cars when not in use.

Railroads, —
walking on
railroad tracks.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of more stringent legislation against the custom of walking on railroad tracks.

Street railways,
— issue of
bonds for re-
funding their
funded debt.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1889, by adding the words "and funded" after the word "floating" in the sixth line thereof, so as to authorize street railway companies by vote of their stockholders, with the approval of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, to issue bonds secured by mortgage for refunding their funded debt.

Street railways.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of a law to require all railway com-

panies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than five hundred feet apart all along their lines.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation examine into the question of whether any, and if so what, personal property held by inhabitants of this Commonwealth is now subject to double taxation of any character whatever, and consider the expediency of legislation to remedy the same.

Personal property, — double taxation.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, so as to more clearly define how notices and summonses issued by collectors of taxes may be served, and such service proved.

Assessment and collection of taxes.

On motion of Mr. Gilbride of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of enacting a general law governing all cities and towns having a public water supply.

Water supply of cities and towns.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will place municipal suffrage for women on the same basis as that for men.

Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to increase the number of associate justices of the superior court.

Superior court, — associate justices.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation lengthening the time within which a defendant can be defaulted in an action brought before a trial justice or any district, police or municipal court.

Defaults in inferior courts.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to more definitely define the powers and liabilities of sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables and police officers in making arrests.

Liability of officers in making arrests.

Supreme
judicial and
superior courts,
— appointment
of auditors.

On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enlarging the powers of the supreme judicial court and the superior court in the appointment of auditors.

Hampden
County, —
sittings of the
superior court.

On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for an additional sitting of the superior court in Hampden County.

Cities and
towns, — emi-
nent domain.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that all lands hereafter taken by a city or town under the right of eminent domain be taken by the board or officer authorized by law to take land for laying out streets; that all such lands shall be taken in fee, and that the purposes for which such lands may be taken may be more clearly defined.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations, —
certificate
holders.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the existing law so as to authorize beneficiaries named in the benefit certificates issued by fraternal beneficiary organizations, and others entitled to the benefits thereby promised, to sue thereupon in their own names.

Mechanics'
liens.

On motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the statutes now in force relative to the method of procedure in enforcing a mechanic's lien, so called, so that such lien may be enforced by a writ, as in any action of contract, by virtue of which writ the whole estate of the owner may be attached and such owner may be sued as a joint defendant with the contractor or principal debtor, and a judgment in such action against the contractor or principal debtor shall be final and conclusive against the owner of the premises.

Notices of
liability.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the Public Statutes so that in all cases, or in such particular cases as justice may seem to require, in which a liability not existing at common law is imposed upon any person, a reasonable notice in

writing shall be first given by the person or persons in whose favor the liability is thus created to the person, or persons upon whom such liability is fixed by statutes.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the return day of all writs issuing out of any court of inferior jurisdiction to the superior court, shall not be later than a definite period of time from the date of the writs.

Return day of writs.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of dynamite crackers in this Commonwealth.

Dynamite crackers.

On motion of Mr. Ball of Upton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided the number of trains on any railroad, or cars on any street railway, shall not exceed one-seventh the daily average number run on the other days of the week, and no cars shall be allowed to disturb public worship, and no excursion trains, cars or boats shall be permitted to run."

Lord's Day, —
railroads and
street railways.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing some compensation for the performance, by ministers of the gospel, justices of the peace and others, of the duties specified in section 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, in respect to making records and returns of marriages solemnized by them.

Records of marriages.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the insolvency laws so that a creditor holding collateral from an indorser can prove his whole claim against the insolvent maker, provided that the indorser does not also prove that claim against the maker.

Proof of claims
against insol-
vent maker of
a note.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing that the probate courts shall be always open for the transaction of business.

Sessions of
probate courts.

Notice of sales
of real estate by
guardians.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation providing that in all sales of real estate by guardians, notice must first be given to the sureties on such guardian's bond.

Registry of
probate and
insolvency for
Suffolk County.

On motion of Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of providing for additional clerical assistance in the registry of probate and insolvency in the county of Suffolk.

The following order, offered by Mr. Meyer of Boston, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston : —

City of Boston,
—laying out of
public ways.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city.

The following order, offered by Mr. Turner of Boston, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston : —

City of Boston,
—street com-
missioners and
board of survey.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and of giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bliss of Boston, was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Olmstead of Boston : —

Congressional
districts.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1891, as to make the congressional districts more homogeneous and symmetrical.

Papers from the Senate.

Sale of concen-
trated commer-
cial feed stuffs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enabling national banks now doing business in this Commonwealth to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies.

National banks to reorganize as safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and of providing that the executor of any will or the administrator upon any estate, into whose possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties entitled by said conditions to receive the same said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator.

Savings bank deposits.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable cities in the Commonwealth to consolidate their water and sewer departments and establish an annual sewer rate.

Consolidation of water and sewer departments.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the city of Boston by a general vote.

City of Boston, — aldermen-at-large.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities ^{1a.} consider the expediency of providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by a general vote.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities ^{1a.} consider the expediency of providing for the increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members, and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large, and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board.

City of Boston,
— pensioning
members of
police depart-
ment.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an act to provide for pensioning members of the Boston police department, so as to provide: (1) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of the city of Boston who has served twenty years or more; (2) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who has been permanently injured while in discharge of his duties; (3) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who shall have reached the age of sixty years; and (4) For the payment of such persons from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriation of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— board of
overseers of the
poor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers.

Compulsory
school age.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, and of providing that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not.

Elections, — re-
counting of bal-
lots in cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present.

Registration of
voters.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring a personal registration in the political year 1892 of all voters in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, and providing for such registration at certain intervals thereafter.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations so as to confer exclusive and concurrent jurisdiction upon the supreme judicial and superior courts in winding up the affairs of such corporations.

Supreme
judicial and
superior courts,
— fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Ordered, In concurrence that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall so amend chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material.

Liens.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants.

Manufacture
and sale of gas
by cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth.

Telephone
companies, —
character and
price of service.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning the control of electric lights, telegraph and telephone companies, so as to provide : (1) For a due and proper inspection of wires ; and (2) For placing the same below the surface of the soil.

Telegraph and
telephone
companies, —
electric wires.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of establishing the office of a superintendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth

Superintendent
of State print-
ing.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider and report what legislation is necessary in view of the expiration of the contract for State printing.

State printing.

Salary of the
additional clerk
in office of
Adjutant Gen-
eral.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant General.

Committee on
Railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duty.

Railroads, —
uniform system
of car couplings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the frequent occurrence of accidents resulting from defective car couplings, so as to provide for the compulsory adoption, by all railroads in this Commonwealth, of some uniform system of car couplings which shall conduce to greater safety in the operation of the railroads.

Railroads, —
union depots
in Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing for a union passenger station of the railroads entering Boston from the north, and a union passenger station for the railroads entering Boston from the south and west.

Advertising of
legislative
committee
hearings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to ensure more efficient advertising of legislative committee hearings.

Taxation of
sleeping cars.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes, so as to provide for the assessment of a tax upon all sleeping cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth.

Taxation of
telegraph,
telephone and
electric light
poles.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town.

Mechanics'
liens.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, Public Statutes, chapter 191, otherwise known as the "mechanics' lien law," so that mechanics,

laborers, or other persons who furnish materials with their labor, shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor, —

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “committee on Labor” and inserting in place thereof the words “joint committee on the Judiciary.” Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the amendment, it was, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Coburn of Lowell : —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter.

Manufacture
and sale of gas
by cities.

The following order was laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Bliss of Boston : —

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
Boston Gas
Company.

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company has within the past six months made any advances in its charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company can manufacture gas delivered in its holders and at the meters of its consumers and pay dividends of eight per cent. on its capital stock and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of its plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company is hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive

rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company is paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas, which it could manufacture for a less sum per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the Bay State Gas Company diverts the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, for the purpose of this investigation and report, are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

The following orders, laid over from yesterday, were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

City of
Northampton,—
grade crossings.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary to prevent the carrying into effect the report of the commission appointed by the superior court to consider the separation and changing the several grade crossings of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, Connecticut River and Boston and Maine Railroads in the city of Northampton.

City of Boston,
— duty of city
clerk in elec-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall transfer the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the board of registrars of said city.

The following orders, laid over from yesterday, were severally laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston : —

City of Boston,
— Deer Island.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Plymouth
County Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

Petition of Ziba C. Keith and others for a charter as the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885 as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years. To the committee on Cities.

Assessors' valuation of taxable property.

Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of Heman S. Fay and others for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Holding of office by criminals.

Petition of Warner Johnson for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense.

Elections,—use of sealed envelopes.

Petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting.

Legal residence of voters.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition of George J. Moulton that the Senators of Massachusetts in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a resolution asking an investigation of the expenses attending the business of money lending. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Money lending.

Petition of Horace S. Crowell for authority to build and maintain a bridge or way in the town of Falmouth from the mainland to Devil's Foot Island and from said island to Ram Island. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Town of Falmouth,—bridge to Devil's Foot Island.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances and regulations as will require the placing of electric wires underground.

City of Springfield,—electric wires.

Petition of Arnold B. Sanford and others for incorporation as the Fall River Real Estate Association.

Fall River Real Estate Association.

Petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children for leave to hold additional real and personal estate.

New England Hospital for Women and Children.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Salaries of
clerks of courts.

Petition of Henry M. Williams and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts.

Civil service
rules.

Petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined and a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Old Colony
Railroad, —
grade crossing
at South Boston.

Petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., that the Old Colony Railroad Company and the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company, and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston, so as to prevent such crossings. To the committee on Railroads.

Public libraries,
— vacancies in
boards of
trustees.

Petition of Robert S. Gray and others for legislation providing that vacancies in boards of trustees of public libraries may be filled by a joint ballot of selectmen and said board of trustees. To the committee on Towns.

Bridgewater
Water Com-
pany.

Petition of the Bridgewater Water Company for authority to issue a new series of bonds. To the committee on Water Supply.

Woman suf-
frage.

Petition of Lucy Stone and others that women be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Rules, —
quorum of the
House.

Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the House, reported recommending the adoption of a new rule, to be numbered Rule No. 103, as follows: "RULE 103. One hundred and twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum for the organization of the House and the transaction of business." Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Salary of the
third assistant
clerk of the
municipal court
of Boston.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business. (House, No. 49.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston District Court. (House, No. 50.)

Salary of the justice of the East Boston District Court.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable. (House, No. 51.)

Salary of the clerk of courts of Barnstable County.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ought to pass. (Senate, No. 8.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to specifying the dates for holding the sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk in Stoughton and Canton, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton.

Orders of the day.

Bills :

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 46) ;

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 48) ;

To authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer (Senate, No. 7) ; and

To extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston (Senate, No. 9) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 47) was read a second time and considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday, by a vote of 81 to 35.

Bills :

To amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (House, No. 36) ;

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock (House, No. 39) ;

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters (House, No. 42) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 44) ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (House, No. 45) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court (House, No. 40) was read a third time and considered. After debate, the yeas and nays were taken on the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to and sent up for concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 131 yeas to 3 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Capen, Robert P.
Adams, John W.	Carter, James H.
Anderson, Stephen	Chance, Charles J.
Andrews, Miles S.	Clark, Louis M.
Atwood, Edward B.	Clough, George S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Crane, George A.
Austin, J. Lewis	Crosby, James P.
Baker, William G.	Crowell, Elkanah
Bardwell, Henry D.	Daley, Edward L.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Dennis, William D.
Bates, Jacob P.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Battles, David W.	Dolan, William J.
Bennett, Frank P.	Dole, Eben S.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Driscoll, John A.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Durant, William B.
Brewer, Edward S.	Fall, George
Brigham, William H.	Fallon, James O.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Ferren, Myron J.
Brown, Samuel J.	Fiske, Granville C.
Buckley, William P.	French, Russell M.
Burke, James F.	Galloupe, George A.
Burnham, Lewis	Garfield, George H.

Messrs. George, Edwin H.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Giles, Joseph J.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Meyer, George v. L.
Gray, Joshua S.	Miller, Horace E.
Hall, Henry C.	Mooney, William L.
Halley, Dennis E.	Morse, Stillman F.
Harding, N. Frank	Newell, Richard
Harris, Charles E.	Nickerson, Osborn
Hart, William H.	Norton, John H.
Hemenway, William H.	O'Brien, John J.
Holmes, Charles H.	Olmstead, James M.
Hooker, Charles H.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Horton, Everett S.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Howard, George C.	Perkins, George W.
Howe, S. Augustus	Powers, Wilbur H.
Hoyt, Warren	Presho, Edward W.
Hyde, William S.	Proctor, George O.
Jackson, Charles T.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jennings, Henry J.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Keliber, Thomas J.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Kelly, Charles A.	Rivers, George R. R.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lane, Howard G.	Shute, Charles F.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Simonds, George R.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lawrence, William B.	Sprague, Charles F.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Stickney, Clarence
Lincoln, Stephen R.	St. John, Thomas E.
Loud, John C.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Taft, Henry G.
Low, Emery M.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Lowe, William W.	Tucker, George F.
Luby, Patrick B.	Turner, Edward E.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Lynch, John B.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
McAnally, Frank	Wier, Fred N.
McEvoy, John W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
McLean, Isaac	Woodward, Amos P.
McLoughlin, John T.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Melaven, James F.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Cannon, William	Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.
Casey, Joseph J.	

Yeas, 131 ; Nays, 3.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows : —

Resolved, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the members of the house of representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

Article of Amendment.

So much of article two of section three of chapter one of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words, “the expenses of travelling to the general assembly and returning home once in every session and no more shall be paid by the government out of the public treasury to every member who shall attend as seasonably as he can in the judgment of the House and does not depart without leave,” is hereby annulled.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, at ten minutes before three o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and were severally referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

The annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1891. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Report of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

Report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation. To the committee on Labor.

Report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

Second report of the Free Public Library Commissioners. To the committee on the Library.

Report of the Free Public Library Commissioners.

Twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons. To the committee on Prisons.

Report of the Commissioners of Prisons.

Thirteenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy for the year 1891. To the committee on Public Health.

Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

County Estimates.

The estimates for the several counties for taxes for the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurers, were received and referred to the committee on County Estimates.

County estimates, — accounts of county treasurers.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor : —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1892.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

Message from
the Governor, —
Massachusetts
fisheries.

I inclose herewith for your consideration, a communication just received from representatives in Congress of Massachusetts, calling my attention to a bill which has been introduced in the House of Representatives "To regulate the fisheries and for other purposes." A copy of the bill is herewith also submitted. The purpose and effect of the bill I am informed and believe is to nullify the laws of Massachusetts now in force for the protection of our fisheries, and to reverse what has become the established policy of this Commonwealth on this subject.

The bill has been referred to the committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the United States House of Representatives, and a hearing has been fixed by that committee for February 17. In my judgment, the matter is of such importance to this Commonwealth and so seriously affects one of her great industries that it demands your immediate consideration and action.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message was read, and with the accompanying documents, was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, with instructions to report thereon within two weeks, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Fine Arts
Commission.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of Thomas Allen and others, for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission.

Id.

By the same gentleman, petitions of Alexander Pope and others, of Charles Copeland and others, of Stephen M. Crosby and others, severally in aid of the petition of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, petition of William S. Greenough and another for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petitions of Ethan Brooks and others, of Charles H. Monk and others, of Reuben Brooks and others, of E. P. Tabor and others, of Wellington Smith and others, and of J. C. Phillips and others, — severally, that no persons convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage.

Disfranchisement for crime.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, petition of the selectmen of Marblehead in aid of the order relative to the unauthorized taking of ballast from the beaches. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Removal of ballast from beaches.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of the diocese of Springfield for the enactment of a law prohibiting the sale of malt and spirituous liquors by grocers.

Intoxicating liquors,—sale of, by grocers.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, petitions of Mrs. O. A. Parent and others and Helen E. Bennett and others; by Mr. Fay of Northampton, petitions of Frank T. Pomeroy and others, and of S. E. Bridgman and others; by Mr. Atwood of Kingston, petition of Fanny H. Shepard and others; by Mr. Miller of Conway, petition of Ellen E. Chaffee and others; by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, petition of D. W. Hodgkins and others; by Mr. Friend of Gloucester, petitions of R. M. Peacock and others, and of Albert Story and others; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of Sarah F. Whiting and others; by Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of Charles H. Chaponite and others; by Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of Alice J. Carter and others; by Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of Mary Smith and others; by Mr. Smith of Gloucester, petition of B. F. Allen and others; by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, petition of Lizzie Higgins and others; by Mr. Buck of Stockbridge, petitions of P. J. Farwell and others, of George H. Warner and others, of Anna W. Rudd and others, and of Margaret C. Farwell and others; by Mr. Morse of Holden, petition of Jane C. Damon and others; by Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of I. F. Woodbury and others; by Mr. Lawrence

Intoxicating liquors,—agents.

of Cohasset, petition of Joseph Osgood and others; by Mr. Proctor of Somerville, petition of Charles H. Vose and others; by Mr. Hall of Woburn, petition of Chauncey P. Judd and others; by Mr. Roe of Worcester, petition of W. W. Smith and others; and by Mr. Howe of Gardner, petition of Mrs. D. W. Burnham and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Town of
Scituate, — un-
paid veterans.

By Mr. Richmond of Abington, petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to certain veterans of the town of Scituate and heirs of deceased veterans. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Wellesley
Congregational
Church.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of Albert Jennings and other members of the standing committee of the Wellesley Congregational Church for authority to remove the bodies interred in the Wellesley cemetery, and that said cemetery may be turned over to said Wellesley Congregational Church. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

William H.
Robinson.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, petition of George H. B. Green that William H. Robinson may be compensated for injuries received in the discharge of his duties at the State Primary School in Monson.

Town of
Manchester, —
Julia A. Stark.

By Mr. Andrews of Essex, petition of the selectmen of Manchester that said town may be reimbursed for expenditures on account of Julia A. Stark, now an inmate of the Worcester Insane Asylum.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Revere Copper
Company, —
Massapoag
Lake.

By Mr. Quinn of Sharon, petition of Fred F. Bryant and others for legislation to restrain the Revere Copper Company of Canton from drawing down the waters of Massapoag Lake to such an extent as to endanger public health. To the committee on Public Health.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sion, — public
reservations.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of Leverett Saltonstall and others of Boston, of W. P. P. Longfellow and others, of the town officers of Winthrop, of Charles Theodore Russell and others of Cambridge, of the town officers of Manchester, of Henry Saltonstall and others of Boston, of the town officers of Weymouth, of Charles W. Eliot

and others of Cambridge, of Hugh O'Brien and others of Boston, of Mathew Luse and others of Boston, of the selectmen and others of Everett, of Charles H. Dalton and others of Boston and of Woodward Emery and others of Boston,—severally for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations. Public reservations.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

By Mr. Fallon of Boston, petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway Street and Travers Street may be abolished. Boston and Maine Railroad, — grade crossings in Boston.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of John P. Squire & Co. and fifty wholesale grocers and provision merchants in aid of the bill for interchangeable mileage tickets. Mileage tickets on railroads.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wood of Boston, petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be permitted to vote for presidential electors and other officers. Woman suffrage.

By the same gentleman, petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. Id.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, petition of D. W. Burnham and others; by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petitions of A. L. Putnam and others and of Alice A. H. Young and others of Provincetown; by Mr. Morse of Holden, petition of Jane E. Damon and others of Westminster; by Mr. Lawrence of Cohasset, petition of Joseph Osgood and others of Cohasset; by Mr. Hall of Woburn, petition of J. S. Temple and others of Reading; by Mr. Roe of Worcester, petition of Mrs. George E. Phelps and others of Worcester; by Mr. Proctor of Somerville, petition of Annie M. Philbrick and others of Somerville; by Mr. Clark of Palmer, petition of Helen E. Bennett and others of Ludlow; by Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of I. F. Woodbury and others of Dorchester; and by Mr. Bates of Brookline, petition of C. M. Barrows and others,—severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to Id.

licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Manufacture
and sale of
gilded ware.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, petition of Charles W. Forbush for legislation to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of gilded ware.

Martin Wesson.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of Martin Wesson for relief under his contract with the Commonwealth dated December 27, 1878.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— public parks.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will vest the construction of the public parks of the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city ; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor ; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor ; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city.

On motion of Mr. Sundberg of Boston, —

City of Boston,
— water board.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the surplus income received by the Boston water board from any source whatever be turned into the sinking fund for the benefit of any portion of the water debt.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, —

Telephone
companies, —
charges for
rental.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns in the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Norwood, —

Corporations, —
par value of
shares, — notice
of first meeting.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing corporations to commence business before the capital is fully paid, to fix the par of their shares at not less than five dollars nor

more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven days' notice of first meeting in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of legislation providing for the printing in pamphlet form of the yea and nay votes of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth.

General Court,
— yea and nay
votes.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation compelling cities of fifty thousand inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months.

Warm baths for
the poor.

On motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of amending section 88 of chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, by providing that the time within which it is necessary to take possession of land for the purpose of constructing a public way, may be extended by agreement with the land owner, either before or after laying out such way, and that agreements may be made in regard to laying sewers, water pipes, and other structures therein before the same is laid out.

Highways, —
extension of time
for taking land
for the purpose
of construction.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing by law that towns, for the purpose of constructing ways and locating anew, altering and widening existing ways, with a view to the wants of the future, may incur a debt beyond the legal debt limit, and repayable within a period not exceeding fifty years.

Highways in
towns.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation empowering authorities having jurisdiction in the matter of public ways, to prescribe a uniform line at a distance from and parallel to each side line of a public way, and to prevent thereafter any building to be placed on land abutting on such way nearer thereto than such prescribed line.

Buildings on
highways.

On motion of Mr. Nourse of Bolton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of giving assistance to towns of

Highways in
towns.

less valuation than six hundred thousand dollars, in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Executive mansion.

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build a residence adjoining the State House, to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an Executive mansion.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, —

Taxation of telephone and telegraph companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —

Town appropriations.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring a two-thirds vote in making town appropriations or grants, between the time of the assessment of taxes and the next annual town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Residence of voters for the purpose of taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that, for the purpose of taxation, or voting or being voted for, for any office under the Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May, of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

• On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Dance halls.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring all public dance halls to be licensed by the board of aldermen or the board of selectmen of the city or town where they are located, and that such license be granted only with the consent in writing of the abutters and owners of the adjoining property.

On motion of Mr. Giles of Somerville, —

Drunkenness.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the punishment of drunkenness, that the provisions of said chapter shall apply only to such

towns and cities as shall at their annual elections vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor; and of re-enacting the laws repealed by section eight of said chapter, and providing that cities and towns which do not at their annual elections vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, may have the benefit of such re-enacted laws.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section two of chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to confer original jurisdiction exclusive or concurrent of the petitions therein named, upon superior courts or upon district, municipal or police courts within their several districts.

Jurisdiction of superior and inferior courts on petitions of married women for separate estate.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, so as to abolish the sessions of the probate court for the county of Norfolk, now holden at Hyde Park, and to provide for the holding of said session at Dedham.

Norfolk County, — sessions of the probate court.

The following orders, laid over from Friday, were severally adopted : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened, or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city.

City of Boston, — laying out of public ways.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and of giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine.

City of Boston, — street commissioners and board of survey.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parker of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow at the request of Mr. Meyer of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners.

City of Boston, — sinking fund commissioners.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Congressional
districts.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1891 as to make the Congressional districts more homogeneous and symmetrical.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to amend in line three by inserting, after the word "district," the words "numbered 8 to 13, inclusive." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the amendment moved by Mr. Bliss was rejected, and the order was rejected.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted in concurrence :—

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston :—

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners,—
Boston Gas
Company.

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows :—

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company has within the past six months made any advances in its charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company can manufacture gas delivered in its holders and at the meters of its consumers, and pay dividends of 8 per cent. on its capital stock, and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of its plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company is hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company is paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas which it could manufacture for a less sum per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the Bay State Gas Company diverts the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners for the purpose of this investigation and report are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers, and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

A Bill to authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds (Senate, No. 11) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Newburyport
and Amesbury
Horse Railroad
Company.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing the regulation by ordinance of the use of bituminous coal in said city.

City of Boston,
— use of bitu-
minous coal.

Petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to borrow outside the debt limit, five hundred thousand dollars, for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries Street to Wood Island Park.

City of Boston,
— boulevard
from Jeffries
Street to Wood
Island Park.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Elections, —
educational pre-
requisite for
voting.

Petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote.

Elections, —
percentage of
votes cast by a
political party.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the repeal of all laws which compel the payment of a tax as a prerequisite for voting at city elections, or at town meetings for the election of officers or other business.

Elections, —
poll tax.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

U. S. Constitution, — declarations of war.

Petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others that Congress be petitioned to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, so as to require that a declaration of war must be ratified by the people, as well as by a vote of Congress. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Old Colony Railroad, — grade crossings in Roxbury.

Petition of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury, by the elevation of the tracks of said road. To the committee on Railroads.

The House petitions —

North Adams fire district.

Of the North Adams Fire District for a general or special law enabling fire districts to borrow in anticipation of taxes; and

South Adams fire district.

Of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and that the town of Adams may be authorized to issue its bonds and loan the same to said fire district;

Severally referred by the House to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motions of Mr. Rosnosky the House receded in each case from its reference to the committee on Water Supply and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petitions were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough. (House, No. 53.)

Id.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls. (House, No. 54.)

Id.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson. (House, No. 55.)

By Mr. Miller of Conway, from the committee on Public Service, on an order and petitions, a Bill to establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough. (House, No. 52.)

Salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the report of the Topographical Survey Commission for the year 1891 (House, No. 18) was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Rules.

Report of the Topographical Survey Commission.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund ; and

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ; (Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of a new rule, to be numbered Rule No. 103, as follows : " *Rule 103.* One hundred and twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum for the organization of the House and the transaction of business," was accepted, and the rule was adopted.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 47) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (House, No. 49) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court (House, No. 50) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts of the county of Barnstable (House, No. 51) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 8) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 46) ; and

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 48) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer (Senate, No. 7) ; and

To extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston (Senate, No. 9) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended in the case of the last-named bill, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Crosman of Athol, at twenty minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Vote for Representatives to the General Court at the Election in November, 1891.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting, in compliance with an order of the House, a statement of the vote for representatives in the several representative districts of the Commonwealth at the election Nov. 3, 1891. The communication was read, and, with the accompanying document, was placed on file. (House, No. 41.)

Vote for Representatives to the General Court for 1891.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, a Resolve in relation to the State printing. Read and referred to the committee on Printing, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

State printing.

By Mr. Casey of Boston, a Bill providing for the election of boards of health in towns. Read and referred to the committee on Public Health, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Boards of health in towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

By Mr. Norton of Boston, petition of Mrs. F. A. DeWolf and others ; by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, petition of T. B. Drew and others ; and by Mr. St. John of Haverhill, petition of Ira Hunt and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor.

Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Prisoners, —
number em-
ployed in mak-
ing harnesses.

By Mr. Daley of Lynn, petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty. To the committee on Prisons.

Salary of the
chief clerk of
the State Board
of Agriculture.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of members of the State Board of Agriculture in aid of the petition of the chief clerk of said board, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service.

City of Boston,
— taking of
land for city
hall near State
House.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the taking of land near the State House by the State House Commissioners in case a city hall is erected near the State House. To the committee on State House.

Division of
Tisbury.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Henry W. Look and others in aid of the petition of Allen Look and others for a division of the town of Tisbury. To the committee on Towns.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Norton of Boston, petition of Mrs. F. A. De-Wolf and others; and by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, petition of H. N. P. Hubbard and others of Plymouth, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following orders were adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, —
Seeds. *Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds.

On motion of Mr. Buck of Stockbridge, —
Dogs. *Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to special licenses for the

keeping of dogs for breeding purposes, so that the fee for every license may be five dollars for a male dog and ten dollars for a female dog.

On motion of Mr. Green of Belchertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of acting on the recommendations for appropriations, made in the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, January, 1892.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

On motion of Mr. Appleton of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees on the highways, so that the officials charged by said act with the duty of designating trees for preservation and with the duty of renewing the marks at certain seasons of the year, may also make such designations and renew such marks at other times in their discretion.

Trees.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation for securing the better registration of births, baptisms, deaths and marriages.

Registration of
births, baptisms,
deaths and
marriages.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of employment; also the expediency of making eight hours the limit of a day's work.

Hours of labor,
— eight-hour
law.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of making such amendments in the militia laws as may be made necessary by the new drill regulations recently adopted by the United States and the State government.

Militia, — drill
regulations.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports.

Railroad
corporations, —
annual reports.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter

Street railway
corporations, —
annual reports.

112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports, so that its provisions will apply to street railway corporations also.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Boston, —

Taxation of
casualty, em-
ployers' liability
and accident
insurance
companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation inquire whether any legislation is necessary in amendment of chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1890, in relation to taxes on casualty, employers' liability and accident insurance companies, so that there may be deducted from premiums taxed return premiums paid by said companies, and premiums on cancelled policies.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Personal
property, —
double taxation.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "provided, said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State;" so that personal property held in trust by a non-resident executor, administrator or trustee shall not be subject to double taxation.

On motion of Mr. Toomey of Boston, —

Taxation, —
exemption of
mortgagee's
interest from.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to taxation, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section 5 of said chapter shall be exempt from taxation under the laws of this Commonwealth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Liability of
common
carriers for
personal
injuries.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation which will tend to diminish the number of accidents occurring to persons while being carried in herdicks, hacks, cabs, carriages or other public vehicles; or which will enable parties to obtain compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles, in some direct and inexpensive manner; or which will otherwise afford protection to the public in the use of such vehicles.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Seamen.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to protect seamen from

impositions practised upon them by boarding-house keepers and others, in the matter of engaging them for the merchant marine.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation in reference to the leasing of furniture, so as to provide that all such leases shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of any city or town in which such leased furniture shall be situated; and that no other than the original lessee or his assigns shall have the right by payment of any unpaid sums under said lease to acquire the property thereto. Leasing of furniture.

On motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887, that the determination of the period of imprisonment imposed by sentence under said section shall be vested in the discretion of the court, the same in no event to exceed a term of twenty-five years. Habitual criminals.

The following orders, concerning which no recommendation was made by the committee on Rules, were severally adopted and sent up for concurrence: —

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the construction of buildings in the city of Boston, or adopting the recommendations of the commission appointed under an order of the city council of said city, approved by the mayor Jan. 2, 1890, or by adopting such other amendments as said committee may deem proper. City of Boston, — construction of buildings.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider what changes are necessary or expedient to be made in chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891 relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, and the powers and duties and manner of appointment of the different officers named therein. City of Boston, — highways.

The following order, offered by Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by County Commissioners, — vacancies.

reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the words "committee on the Judiciary," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield : —

Intoxicating
liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation whereby the prescription and sale of intoxicating liquors be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 209 of the Acts of the year 1888, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the words "committee on Public Health" and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on the Liquor Law." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Prescho of Boston : —

City of Boston,
— registrar of
births, mar-
riages and
deaths.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of establishing the office of registrar in the city of Boston, defining his powers and duties, and of amending chapter 32 of the Public Statutes and laws amendatory thereof, as may be necessary, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by the substitution of the following order : —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of establishing the office of registrar of births, marriages and deaths in the city of Boston, and of making such amendments to chapter 32 of the Public Statutes relative to the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths, as may be made necessary by the establishment of said office.

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mahoney of Boston:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors, to sell goods, wares or merchandise as provided in section 2 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, — Licenses to minors.

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by the substitution of the following order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors, to sell goods, wares, or merchandise, as provided in section two of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, so that boards of aldermen and selectmen shall have power to make regulations relating thereto without any authorization of the city council or town being required.

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Chester of Newton:—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of the enactment of some law which shall secure, by lien or otherwise, the payment of wages to laborers engaged in the construction of sewers and other public works, — Lien, — laborers on public works.

Came from the committee on Rules with the recommendation that it be amended by striking out the words "committee on Labor" and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners. City of Boston, — sinking fund commissioners.

Papers from the Senate.

Manual training
and industrial
education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of extending the time for the final report of the commission, appointed to investigate existing systems of manual training and industrial education provided for by chapter 106 of the Resolves of the year 1891, so that it may be made to the next Legislature; and of providing for continuing the commission itself.

Indebtedness
of cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one half per cent. on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation.

Registration of
women.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall make more simple and easy the assessment and registration of women to qualify them to vote in elections for school committee.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the question of Mr. Charles of Boston, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule and the adoption of the order:—

City of Boston,
— overseers of
the poor.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 128 of the Acts of the year 1864, relating to the time of the yearly organization of the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, so that it may conform with the provisions of chapter 418 of the Acts of the year 1890.

The House order, —

Intoxicating
liquors, —
licensing boards
in cities.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out in the fourth line the word "may" and inserting in place thereof the word "shall," and by striking out all after the word "commissioners" in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the following: "Who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the aldermen, and such board shall consist of three inhabitants of said city. The mayor and aldermen shall on the first

Monday of April, 1892, appoint three commissioners, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year respectively, and annually thereafter on the first Monday of April one commissioner for three years, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and confirmed. These commissioners shall receive such compensation as the mayor and aldermen shall determine, and such compensation shall be paid from the money received from license fees,"—

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "committee on the Liquor Law" and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received on such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fire, —

Railroad corporations, — liability for damages caused by fire.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "committee on Railroads" and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation which shall make more distinct the meaning of that part of section 5 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1891, which determines the tenure of office of the water commissioners of the city of Haverhill, —

City of Haverhill, — water commissioners.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "committee on Water Supply" and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

City of Northampton,—
sewer scrip.

Petition of John C. Hammond and others for an amendment of the act authorizing the city of Northampton to issue sewer scrip.

Id.

Petition of J. B. O'Donnell for an amendment of section 9 of chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to issuing sewer scrip by the city of Northampton.

City of Lowell,
— revision of
charter.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Lowell that the charter of said city may be revised.

City of Salem,
— streets.

Petition of Wm. E. Meade that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Voting lists.

Petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents. To the committee on Election Laws.

Sweating system,—
quarantine of clothing.

Petition of Emory J. Haynes and John Crowley that clothing made in tenement houses and "sweat-shops" of New York be quarantined. To the committee on Public Health.

Weymouth and
Hingham Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of the Weymouth and Hingham Street Railway Company for authority to cross the bridges over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River. To the committee on Street Railways.

Constitutional
Amendment,—
woman suf-
frage.

Petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment of the Constitution to establish the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs.

Woman suf-
frage.

Petition of Julia Ward Howe and others, for the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society and to limit the purpose for which said corporation was formed. (House, No. 56.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Smith of Gloucester, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

East Gloucester
Baptist Society.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Rufus S. Frost and others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and that a decision in the negative upon the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years.

Intoxicating
liquors, — vote
on the question
of granting
licenses.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, from the same committee, id. leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation providing that a vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect.

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, from the same committee, id. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses shall hereafter be taken every third year instead of annually.

By Mr. Brewer of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Josiah H. Horton and others for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association.

Eastham
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, from the same committee, leave to withdraw on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery.

Monatiquot
Cemetery.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company. (House, No. 58.)

East Side Street
Railway Com-
pany, — Brock-
ton Street Rail-
way Company.

Whitman Street
Railway Com-
pany, — Brock-
ton Street Rail-
way Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company. (House, No. 59.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroad passes,
— compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (House, No. 57), ought to pass with the following amendment: In section 4, lines 4 and 12, respectively, strike out the words "two dollars," and insert in place thereof the words "one dollar" (Mr. Buckley of Holyoke dissenting). Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Congressional
districts.

Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the order relative to so amending chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1891 as to make the Congressional districts more homogeneous and symmetrical, and on his further motion the motion to reconsider was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ; and

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough (House, No. 52) ; Orders of the day.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough (House No. 53) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 54) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson (House, No. 55) ; and

To authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds (Senate, No. 11) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 47) ;

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (House, No. 49) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court (House, No. 50) ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts of the county of Barnstable (House, No. 51) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 8) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House order relative to providing that mechanics, laborers or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, at quarter before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Topographical Survey Commission.

Report of the
Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.

The report of the Topographical Survey Commission was referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

So much thereof as relates to an appropriation for continuing the survey, to the committee on Expenditures; and

The residue of the report to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Lobsters.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of Walter E. Bowman and others of Mattapoisett; and by Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, petitions of J. F. Allen and others of Dartmouth, and of Eugene B. Gifford and others of Westport, — severally, in aid of the petition of the selectmen of Gosnold that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Commissioner
of public
records.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of George White, judge of the probate court of Norfolk county, and others in aid of the bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of public records. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

By Mr. Soule of Middleborough, petition of H. C. Coombs and others; by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, petition of J. Wallace Grace and others; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, petition of Marion W. Webber and others; and by

Mr. Fay of Northampton, petitions of W. F. Cayle and others, George L. Munn and others, and George S. Calton and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of the mayor of Woburn and others, of J. W. Hammond and others of Woburn, of P. D. Richards and others, of Sylvester Baxter and others, of George W. Walker and others of Malden, of Edward Ginn and others, of William L. Candler and others of Brookline, of H. R. Legate and P. O'Neil Larkin and others of Boston, of A. H. Davenport and others of Boston and vicinity, of E. F. Bickford, L. E. K. Robson and others of Malden and Melrose, of J. R. Leeson and others, and of Herbert L. Morse and others, — severally for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission.

Metropolitan
Park Commission, — public
reservations.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, petition of Maurice Maynard and others of Webster and Dudley in aid of the petition of John W. Dobbie and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad. To the committee on Railroads.

Railroads, —
private crossings.

By Mr. Soule of Middleborough, petition of H. C. Coombs and others; by Mr. Barrett of Concord, petition of Mary C. Farrell and others; and by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, petition of Caleb Murdock and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Woman suffrage.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, petition of Edward J. Tomlin and 500 others in aid of the orders relative to the counterfeiting of labels, stamps and trade marks. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Counterfeiting
of labels, stamps
and trade
marks.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Newburyport, of Henry S. Worrall that members of the Boston fire department who were injured in the discharge of

Boston fire
department, —
pensions.

their duty and retired from the force before the taking effect of the present law relating to pensions, may be enabled to receive pensions, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Richardson, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Plymouth, —
Herring River
fisheries.

A petition, presented by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, of the selectmen of Plymouth for a share of the profits of the Herring river fisheries, now appropriated by the town of Bourne, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Atwood, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Chestnut Hill
Real Estate
Association.

A petition, presented by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, of the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association for a decrease of its capital stock, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. O'Brien, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

George H. Ross.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Gardner, of George H. Ross that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Howe, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Fitchburg and
Leominster
Street Railway
Companies.

A petition, presented by Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, of George F. Morse and others of Fitchburg and Leominster, supplementary to the petition of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway companies, and asking authority for an increase of capital stock, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Rockwell, the 12th and 9th joint rules were

severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, of the selectmen of Plymouth for authority to discontinue Town Dock, so-called, as a public landing place, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Atwood, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Plymouth,—
Town Dock.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wellman of Malden, of Edward L. Tead for legalization of his acts as justice of the peace, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wellman, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Edward L.
Tead.

A petition, presented by Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, of the selectmen of Warren that the vote of said town to authorize the treasurer to borrow money for the expense of altering grade crossings be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of
Warren,—
grade crossings.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Presko of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation granting to societies for the promotion of horticulture having not less than 100 members or less than one thousand dollars at interest the privileges of agricultural societies, including representation in the meetings of the Board of Agriculture, and allowing to said societies the same benefits from the State which agricultural societies receive, —

State Board of
Agriculture,—
horticultural
societies.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Presho, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth : —

Oysters.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 94 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so that it shall read as follows : "The mayor and aldermen of a city, or selectmen of a town in which there are oyster-beds, may grant a permit in writing to any person to take oysters from their beds at such times, in such quantities, and for such uses as they shall express in their permits ; and every inhabitant of such city or town, except the town of Yarmouth, may without such permit, take oysters from their beds therein for the use of his family from the first day of September to the first day of June, not exceeding in any week two bushels including their shells, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Crowell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Norton of Boston : —

Railroads, —
free passes to
members of the
General Court.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring each railroad corporation operating any railroad in the Commonwealth to furnish a free pass over such railroad to each member of the General Court, which shall hold good during such member's term of office, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Norton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester : —

Sewage.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of the State joining with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sew-

age or the destruction or utilization of solids contained in sewage, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mellen, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bates of Brookline :—

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of a law authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or widening public ways, to reserve a part of such way for street railway purposes, and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way, —

Highways, —
reservation of
portions of for
street railway
and other
purposes.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bates, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of prohibiting the employment of children in factories, work-shops and mercantile establishments unless such children have attended school for at least thirty weeks during the year next preceding such employment; and of imposing penalties for the violation of such provisions.

Employment of
children.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule :—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— rate of taxa-
tion.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule :—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 128 of the Acts of the year 1864, relating to the time of the yearly organization of the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, so that it may conform with the provisions of chapter 418 of the Acts of the year 1890.

City of Boston,
— overseers
of the poor.

Discharge of
small loans.

The following order was considered, —

Ordered, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the discharge of small loans, so that a penalty may be imposed for the violation of the provisions of said act.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "committee on Banks and Banking," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Joint rules, —
committee on
Libraries.

A report of the joint committee on Rules, who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, and to whom was referred the order relative to changing the name of the joint standing committee on the Library to "committee on Libraries," recommending that joint rule No. 1 of the rules of last year be amended by striking out the words "the Library," in the clause "a committee on the Library," and inserting in place thereof the word "Libraries;" and that, with the exception of this amendment, and the amendment previously adopted, the joint rules of the year 1891 be observed as the rules of the present year, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston.

Cape Cod Pil-
grim Memorial
Association of
Provincetown.

A Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown (Senate, No. 12) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Worcester
Polytechnic
Institute.

Petition of the trustees of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute for authority to acquire and hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Naukeag Water
Company.

Petition of Ivers W. Adams that the Naukeag Water Company be authorized to take water for the purposes of its incorporation on land owned by others than the petitioner. To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions

to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

A petition of Lizzie B. Brown for such legislation as will enable her to be appointed a justice of the peace, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Lizzie B.
Brown.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill to incorporate the trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 29) ought not to pass. On motion of Mr. Adams, the rule was suspended, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee.

College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 83 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relative to courts of insolvency, so that the property and estate of a debtor by him acquired subsequently to his insolvency shall not be subject to an execution in cases mentioned in said section.

Insolvent
debtors.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklyn Howland for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways.

Highways, —
removal of
cherry trees.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in equity in relation to trusts. (House, No. 62.)

Probate courts, — concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in relation to trusts.

By Mr. Barney of New Bedford, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire. (House, No. 63.)

Hampshire county, — files and records in the registry of probate.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of James Burke. (House, No. 64.)

James Burke.

United States
Fish Commission,
—Squam
Pond in
Gloucester.

By Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the United States Fish Commission relative to the jurisdiction of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester, a Bill placing the water of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission. (House, No. 65.)

Suffolk County,
—fifth assistant
clerk of the
Superior Court,
civil session.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the superior court civil sessions for the county of Suffolk. (House, No. 60.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Special judgments
against
bankrupts and
insolvent
debtors.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors ought to pass. (House, No. 66.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive stenographer (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The motion of Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston to reconsider the vote whereby the House, Monday, January 8, rejected the order relative to so amending chapter 396 of the Acts of the year 1891 as to make the Congressional districts more homogeneous and symmetrical, was rejected.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Rufus S. Frost and others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and that a decision in the negative on the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years; and

On the petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation providing that a vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery ; and

On the petition of Josiah H. Horton and others for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses shall hereafter be taken every third year, instead of annually, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill.

Bills :

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (House, No. 58) ; and

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (House, No. 59) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough (House, No. 52) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough (House, No. 53) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 54) ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson (House, No. 55) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds (Senate, No. 11) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (House, No. 57) was read a second time and considered. Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by

Point of order.

inserting after the words "superior court," the words "probate court, municipal or district court or county commissioners." Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend in section 1 by striking out in lines 2, 3, 4 and 5 the words "to the governor, lieutenant-governor, any member of the council, any judge of the supreme judicial court or the superior court, or any member or member-elect of the Legislature," and inserting in place thereof the words "to any individual." Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend in section 4, lines 2 and 3 by striking out the words "seven hundred and fifty," and inserting in place thereof the words "one thousand." Mr. Gillett of Springfield raised the point of order that the several amendments were beyond the scope of the orders upon which the bill was reported. The Speaker (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park in the chair) ruled that the point of order raised against the amendment of Mr. Ruggles was not well taken, and that those raised against the other amendments were well taken, and the amendments moved by Mr. Mellen and Mr. Mooney were accordingly ruled out. Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend in section 5 by striking out the words "January first, 1893," and inserting in place thereof the words "upon its passage." After debate the amendments moved by Mr. Ruggles and by Mr. Gillett were severally adopted. The amendments recommended by the committee on Finance were severally rejected by a vote of 9 to 145. The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 80 to 68.

The Bill to change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society and to limit the purpose for which such corporation was formed (House, No. 56) was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by substituting therefor a "Bill relative to the East Gloucester Baptist Society," and as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on motion of Mr. Smith of Gloucester.

On motion of Mr. Lougee of Salem, at quarter before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Gillett of Springfield had been appointed to preside. Mr. Gillett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the commissioners on the State House to lay out a street of easy grade from the corner of Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge Street. To the committee on Cities. City of Boston, — street from Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge street.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, petition of Luther C. Athearn and others in aid of the petition of the selectmen of Gosnold and others that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Lobsters.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Martha J. Padden and others in aid of the petition of the Wendell Philips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers. To the committee on Labor. Condition of laborers.

By Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of Nellie M. W. Wood and others that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law. Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of Weston Lewis and 37 other wholesale dry goods firms in aid of the bill for interchangeable mileage tickets. To the committee on Railroads. Railroads, — mileage tickets.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, petition of Julia Ward Howe and other officers of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association that women may be enabled to vote Woman suffrage

in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers upon the same terms as men.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of Amy A. Moore and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Town of War-
ren, — grade
crossings.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of W. B. Ramsdell and others in aid of the petition of the selectmen of Warren that the vote of said town to authorize the treasurer to borrow money for the expense of altering grade crossings be legalized. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Single tax.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hoar of Boston, of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from land by a single tax on its site rental value, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Id.

Petitions, presented by the same gentleman, of Ralph B. Hilton and others for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land according to its value and irrespective of all improvements, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that they came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petitions were severally referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Williamstown
Water Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Jewett of North Adams, of Fred E. Moore and others that the Williamstown Water Company may be authorized to take an additional water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Jewett, the

12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Battles of Brockton, of the city of Brockton for authority to effect an additional water loan to the amount of \$100,000, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Battles, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Brockton, — water loan.

A petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of Alexander H. Rice, Josiah Quincy and others that section 27 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes be so amended that the members of all corporations may vote by proxy, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Corporations, — proxy voting.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Garfield of Brockton : —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, either by connection with the motor or otherwise, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars, —

Street railways.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Garfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Oakes of Boston, —

Noxious and
offensive trades.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations in permissions given under section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, to carry on the business of slaughtering, melting, or rendering and other noxious and offensive trades within their territory, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. At the request of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the order was laid over until to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

The House orders, —

Highways, —
taking of land
for the purpose
of construction.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of amending section 88 of chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, by providing that the time within which it is necessary to take possession of land for the purpose of constructing a public way, may be extended by agreement with the land owner, either before or after laying out such way, and that agreements may be made in regard to laying sewers, water pipes, and other structures therein before the same is laid out; and

Buildings on
highways.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation empowering authorities having jurisdiction in the matter of public ways, to prescribe a uniform line at a distance from and parallel to each side line of a public way, and to prevent thereafter any building being placed on land abutting on such way nearer thereto than such prescribed line;

Severally came down adopted, in concurrence, amended, in each case, by striking out the words "committee on Roads and Bridges" and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary," in which amendments the House concurred, and the orders were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Highways in
towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing that towns, for the purpose of constructing ways and locating anew, altering and widening existing ways, with a view to the wants of

the future, may incur a debt beyond the legal debt limit, and repayable within a period not exceeding fifty years,—

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “committee on Roads and Bridges,” and inserting in place thereof the words “committee on Towns,” in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the bill to regulate fisheries and for other purposes, and accompanying documents, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Message from the Governor,—
Massachusetts
fisheries.

A report of the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the so-called “sweating system;” and the order relative to prohibiting the sale of clothing manufactured under unsanitary and unhealthful conditions, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Sweating system.

A report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word “Act,” in the third line thereof the words “and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;” also of amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word “retail,” in the third line thereof the words “or expose or keep for sale,” and by inserting after the word “dollars,” in the sixth line of said section the words “or imprisonment for not less than one or more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment,” accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Druggists and
apothecaries.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing rooms for the use of the civil service commissioners was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Civil Service
Commissioners.

Report of the
Secretary of the
State Board of
Health,—
arsenic.

A report of the secretary of the State Board of Health, relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

City of Boston,
—highways.

A Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the city of Boston, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Medical science.

The House petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission on medical science, referred by the House to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Public Health, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Disfranchisement
for crime.

The House petitions of Ethan Brooks and others, Charles H. Monk and others, Reuben Brooks and others, E. P. Tabor and others, Wellington Smith and others, and J. C. Phillips and others,—severally, that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage, severally referred by the House to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence, severally came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Election Laws, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, and the petitions were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Annexation of
a part of North-
ampton to
Holyoke.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the mayor of the city of Holyoke for the annexation of a part of the city of Northampton to the city of Holyoke had been referred, under the 9th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Notice was also received from the Senate that Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had been elected, on the part of that branch, Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District to fill the vacancy existing by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

Election of Councillor for the sixth councillor district.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Brown of Amesbury, from the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their efforts for enacting legislation to prevent the use of the mails by the Louisiana Lottery Company or any other lottery company. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brown, and sent up for concurrence.

Louisiana Lottery Company.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds. (House, No. 69.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Bloodhounds.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator ought to pass. (House, No. 68.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Wills.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department (House, No. 30), were taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, February 16, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Revenue marine.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Bill extending the time for arranging and indexing files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 63) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the

Hampshire county, — index of files and records in the registry of probate.

rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Finance.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 83 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relative to courts of insolvency, so that the property and estate of a debtor by him acquired subsequently to his insolvency shall not be subject to an execution in cases mentioned in said section, was accepted.

Bills :

Providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the superior court civil sessions for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 60) ;

Giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in equity in relation to trusts (House, No. 62) ;

Placing the water of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission (House, No. 65) ; and

To incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown (Senate, No. 12) ; and the

Resolve in favor of James Burke (House, No. 64) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (House, No. 58) ; and

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (House, No. 59) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Special Assignment — Election of Councillor.

At half-past two o'clock, the special assignment was taken up, it being the election, on the part of the House, of an Executive Councillor, to fill the vacancy in the sixth councillor district, occasioned by the death of Charles F. Loring. Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved that the House proceed to ballot; that nominating speeches be made, and that the friends of the several candidates be allowed five minutes each in which to present the names of their candidates. Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend the motion so as to provide that if there should be no election of Councillor on the first ballot, the House continue to vote until a Councillor is elected or until the House adjourns. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the amendment was rejected, and the motion of Mr. Ferren was adopted.

Election of
Councillor for
the sixth coun-
cillor district.

The following-named gentlemen were placed in nomination: Mr. Howe of Lowell, by Mr. Wier of Lowell; Mr. Las Casas of Malden, by Mr. Carter of Wakefield; Mr. Evans of Everett, by Mr. Bennett of Everett; and Mr. Jefts of Hudson, by Messrs. Brigham of Hudson and Roe of Worcester.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Bates of Brookline, Wier of Lowell, Brigham of Hudson, Bennett of Everett, Carter of Wakefield and Lanigan of Boston a committee to receive, sort and count the votes.

Mr. Bates, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	206
Necessary for a choice,	104
Frank W. Howe of Lowell had	9
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had	51
Luman T. Jefts of Hudson had	65
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had	81

And there was no choice.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a second ballot was ordered.

Mr. Bates, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	208
Necessary for a choice,	102
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had	13

Frank W. Howe of Lowell had	63
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had	63
Luman T. Jefts of Hudson had	64

And there was no choice.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a third ballot was ordered.

Mr. Bates, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	205
Necessary for a choice,	103
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had	1
Luman T. Jefts of Hudson had	49
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had	70
Frank W. Howe of Lowell	85

And there was no choice.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a fourth ballot was ordered.

Mr. Bates, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	209
Necessary for a choice,	105
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had	1
Luman T. Jefts of Hudson had	21
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had	82
Frank W. Howe of Lowell had	105

And Frank W. Howe was declared elected on the part of the House, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, at eighteen minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, petition of Thomas Dowling and 25 others of Fairhaven in aid of the petition of John J. Bryant and others for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, petition of Rufus G. Fairbanks and others in aid of the petition of Bracey Curtis and others for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Norfolk County,
— district court.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petitions of W. H. Stewart and others and M. F. Marsh and others; and by Mr. Sargent of Leicester, petitions of W. G. Muzzey and others and Harriet M. Coolidge and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Harris of Boston, petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergt. William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade. To the committee on Military Affairs. Sons of
Veterans.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petitions of W. H. Stewart and others and M. F. Marsh and others; and by Mr. Sargent of Leicester, petition of Cora B. Knight and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of Woman
suffrage.

names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Housatonic
Water Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Blodgett the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Orders.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence:—

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston,—

Pilot Commis-
sioners of the
harbor of
Boston.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners of the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one, and also to provide for the compensation and duties of said commissioners.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Giles of Somerville, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule:—

Noxious and
offensive trades.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations in permissions given under section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, to carry on the business of slaughtering, melting or rendering, and other noxious and offensive trades within their territory.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending section 15 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes, relative to agricultural and horticultural societies, that cities and towns where cattle shows and agricultural or horticultural exhibitions are held, shall be required to furnish as many police officers as may be necessary to preserve the public peace and good order at such cattle shows and exhibitions.

Agricultural and horticultural societies,—preservation of order at cattle shows.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a law which shall require, as far as practicable, the use of the Australian ballot system at nominating conventions or meetings for State and city elective offices, —

Nominating convention or meetings.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “use of the Australian ballot system,” and inserting in place thereof the following words: “applications of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: ‘An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections,’ and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto,” in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of further legislation by which all professional tramps, otherwise known as legislative agents, lobbyists, or third house members, be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House, and, in the plying of their vocation, be limited to the lower floors of the building, —

Lobby.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “professional tramps, otherwise known as;” also by inserting before the word “lobbyists” the word “or;” also by striking out the words “or third house members;” and also by striking out the words, “and in the plying of their vocation, be limited to the lower floors of the building,” in which several amendments the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, — statis-
tics relating to
tenements in
Boston.

A Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 13) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Gambling
houses.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

Petition of H. H. Brownell and others for such legislation as will exclude from the waters of Buzzard's Bay all traps, pounds, weirs, etc.

Id.

Remonstrance of Theodore Cleveland and others against any change in the law relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Woman
suffrage.

Petitions of I. M. Woolson and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Dogs.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Howland Holmes and others of Lexington for legislation to prevent dogs from going at large unless securely muzzled. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Adams, and sent up for concurrence.

Money lending.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that the Senators of Massachusetts in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a resolution asking an investigation of the expenses attending the business of money lending.

United States
Constitution, —
declarations of
war.

By Mr. Fallon of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others that Congress be petitioned to adopt an amend-

ment to the Constitution of the United States so as to require that a declaration of war must be ratified by the people, as well as by a vote of Congress.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Baker of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Millis Savings Bank. Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Millis Savings Bank. (House, No. 70.)

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Joanna L. Cox. Expenditures, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Joanna L. Cox. (House, No. 73.)

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, Town of Oxford. on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Oxford. (House, No. 71.)

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Fraternal beneficiary organizations. Insurance, on an order, a Bill in relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other states. (House, No. 72.)

By Mr. Lawrence of Cohasset, from the committee on Town of Provincetown, — watering of streets. Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Provincetown to expend money to water its streets. (House, No. 74.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Sidney Herrick. Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Sidney Herrick.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on Luther F. Chamberlain. a petition, a Resolve in favor of Luther F. Chamberlain.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, from the same committee, on Shubael C. Norton. a petition, a Resolve in favor of Shubael C. Norton.

By Mr. Fay of Northampton, from the committee on State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton. Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton, in part, a Resolve in favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the petition Savings banks, — bonds of the St. Johnsbury of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest

and Lake
Champlain
Railroad.

in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad was taken from the table and was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklyn Howland for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways, was recommitted to the committee on Agriculture, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "Act," in the third line thereof, the words "and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;" also of amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "retail," in the third line thereof, the words "or expose or keep for sale," and by inserting after the word "dollars," in the sixth line of said section, the words "or imprisonment for not less than one or more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment," was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors (House, No. 66) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in equity in relation to trusts (House, No. 62); and

Placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission (House, No. 65); and the

Resolve in favor of James Burke (House, No. 64);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil sessions, for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 60) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with a similar title, and as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown (Senate, No. 12) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (House, No. 57) was read a third time and considered. Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to amend in section 4 by striking out in lines 4 and 10, respectively, the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "one." Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend in line 3 of section 2 by inserting after the word "act," the words "or to or for any other person at the request, solicitation or procurement of any person mentioned in section one." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the amendment moved by Mr. Rideout, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 52 yeas to 132 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Atwood, Edward B.
Baker, William G.
Ball, George S.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Brown, Samuel J.
Capen, Robert P.
Chance, Charles J.
Clark, Edward P.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fallon, James O.

Messrs. Gilbride, Michael B.
Golding, John
Gray, Joshua S.
Hall, Henry C.
Halley, Dennis E.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hoar, John J.
Holmes, Charles H.
Hoyt, Warren
Jackson, Charles T.
Jenkins, Robert B.
Jordan, Edgar E.
Kelly, Charles A.
Loud, John C.
Lynch, John B.

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Messrs. Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Messrs. Rideout, Malcolm E.
McAnally, Frank	Ruggles, Henry E.
McCarthy, Daniel	Shute, Charles F.
McLean, Isaac	Smith, Sylvanus
McSolla, Richard F.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Mellen, James H.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Quinn, Thomas A.	Sundberg, John F.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Winslow, George S.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Wood, Frank C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Dennis, William D.
Adams, John W.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Appleton, Francis H.	Dolan, William J.
Austin, J. Lewis	Dole, Eben S.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Driscoll, John A.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Durant, William B.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Fairbanks, Edward
Bates, Jacob P.	Fall, George
Battles, David W.	Fiske, Granville C.
Bennett, Frank P.	Francis, Frank W.
Bessom, Eugene A.	French, Russell M.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Gallup, William W.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Garfield, George H.
Blodgett, Percival	George, Edwin H.
Brigham, William H.	Giles, Joseph J.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Green, George H. B.
Bryant, Charles H.	Hale, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.	Harding, N. Frank
Burke, James F.	Harris, Charles E.
Burnham, Lewis	Hart, William H.
Carroll, Michael	Heald, Joseph B.
Carter, James H.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Casey, Joseph J.	Hinda, John F.
Charles, Salem D.	Hobson, Charles H.
Chester, Dwight	Hooker, Charles H.
Clark, Louis M.	Howard, George C.
Connolly, Francis	Howard, S. Edward
Crane, George A.	Howe, S. Augustus
Crosby, James P.	Hyde, William S.
Crosman, Charles	Jenks, George W.
Crowell, Elkanah	Jennings, Henry J.
Cutler, George E.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Cutler, George P.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Daley, Edward L.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Danforth, John M.	Lane, Howard G.
Delaney, Patrick	Larkin, Erastus D.

Messrs. Lawrence, Amos A.	Messrs. Potter, Samuel A.
Lawrence, William B.	Pratt, Amasa
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Presho, Edward W.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Read, Franklin F.
Low, Emery M.	Richardson, Albert W.
Lowe, William W.	Richmond, Silas P.
Luby, Patrick B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Luther, William	Rockwell, Henry F.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Ross, Samuel
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Sargent, J. Bradford
McEvoy, John W.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Melaven, James F.	Simonds, George R.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Smith, Sumner
Meyer, George v. L.	Soule, George L.
Mooney, William L.	Sprague, Charles F.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Stickney, Clarence
Morse, Stillman F.	St. John, Thomas E.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Nickerson, Osborn	Sweet, Andrew H.
Norton, John H.	Taft, Henry G.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Turner, Edward E.
Nye, Charles H.	Warren, Bentley W.
O'Brien, John J.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Olmstead, James M.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Woodward, Amos P.
Perkins, George W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 52 ; Nays, 132.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.	NAY.
Mr. Tucker, George F.	Mr. McLoughlin, John T.*

* Present.

The amendment moved by Mr. Olmstead was adopted. On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 128 yeas to 50 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Baker, William G.
Appleton, Francis H.	Ball, George S.
Austin, J. Lewis	Bardwell, Henry D.

Messrs. Barney, Benjamin B.	Messrs. Hinds, John F.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Hoar, John J.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Hobson, Charles H.
Bates, Jacob P.	Holmes, Charles H.
Bennett, Frank P.	Hooker, Charles H.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Howe, S. Augustus
Blodgett, Albert G.	Hoyt, Warren
Blodgett, Percival	Hyde, William S.
Brigham, William H.	Jackson, Charles T.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Jenks, George W.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Jennings, Henry J.
Brown, Samuel J.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Buckley, William P.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Burke, James F.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Capen, Robert P.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Carroll, Michael	Larkin, Erastus D.
Carter, James H.	Lawrence, William B.
Charles, Salem D.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Chester, Dwight	Loud, John C.
Clark, Louis M.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Lowe, William W.
Connolly, Francis	Luby, Patrick B.
Crosby, James P.	Luther, William
Crosman, Charles	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crowell, Elkanah	McEvoy, John W.
Cutler, George E.	McLean, Isaac
Danforth, John M.	McLoughlin, John T.
Dennis, William D.	Melaven, James F.
Dolan, William J.	Mellen, James H.
Dole, Eben S.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Driscoll, John A.	Meyer, George v. L.
Durant, William B.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Fairbanks, Edward	Nickerson, Osborn
Fall, George	Norton, John H.
Fallon, James O.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Fiske, Granville C.	Nye, Charles H.
Francis, Frank W.	O'Brien, John J.
French, Russell M.	Olmstead, James M.
Gallup, William W.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
George, Edwin H.	Parker, James O.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Golding, John	Potter, Samuel A.
Gray, Joshua S.	Pratt, Amasa
Hall, Henry C.	Prescho, Edward W.
Harding, N. Frank	Quinn, Timothy F.
Heald, Joseph B.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hemenway, William H.	Richmond, Silas P.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Rideout, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Rivers, George R. R.	Messrs. St. John, Thomas E.
Ross, Samuel	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Ruggles, Henry E.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Sargent, J. Bradford	Sweet, Andrew H.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Taft, Henry G.
Simonds, George R.	Warren, Bently W.
Smith, Sumner	Wellman, Arthur H.
Smith, Sylvanus	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Soule, George L.	Wier, Fred N.
Sprague, Charles F.	Winslow, George S.
Stickney, Clarence	Woodsum, B. Herbert

YAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Harris, Charles E.
Anderson, Stephen	Heffernan, Edward J.
Atwood, Edward B.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Howard, George C.
Barstow, Thomas	Jenkins, Robert B.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Lane, Howard G.
Battles, David W.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Low, Emery M.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Bryant, Charles H.	McCarthy, Daniel
Burnham, Lewis	McSolla, Richard F.
Chance, Charles J.	Mooney, William L.
Clark, Edward P.	Morse, Stillman F.
Crane, George A.	Perkins, George W.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Cutler, George P.	Richardson, Albert W.
Daley, Edward L.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Delaney, Patrick	Rockwell, Henry F.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Shute, Charles F.
Garfield, George H.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Sundberg, John F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Turner, Edward E.
Green, George H. B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Halley, Dennis E.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 128 ; Nays, 50.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Mayhew, Ulysses E.*	Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.
Howard, S. Edward	Lynch, John B.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at quarter before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. S. Hopkins Emery of Taunton.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, petition of members of the Massachusetts Agricultural College Alumni Club in aid of the order relative to continuing the annual appropriation of \$10,000 to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as provided by chapter 12 of the Resolves of the year 1889. To the committee on Agriculture.

Town of
Falmouth,—
wild fowl.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of J. H. Jones and others in aid of the petition of Jonathan H. Jones and others for the better protection of wild fowl in Falmouth. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Exemption of
municipal bonds
from taxation.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of the mayor of Chelsea in aid of the petition of the mayor of Malden that municipal bonds may be exempt from taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Chelsea,
—ward lines.

A petition, presented by Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, of the mayor of Chelsea for such legislation as will enable the city of Chelsea to revise its ward lines and increase the number of its wards, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Merritt, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Woburn,
—superintendent
of school
buildings.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hall of Woburn, of the mayor of Woburn for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of public buildings; and

City of Woburn,
—public cemeteries.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the mayor of Woburn for an amendment of the law relating to public cemeteries in Woburn in respect to the duties

of the commissioners, and so as to extend the powers of the city treasurer in respect to said cemeteries, and to make him liable upon his bond for his acts in respect to the same ;

Severally came from the committee on Rules with the statement that they came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motions of Mr. Hall, the 12th joint rule was suspended in each case, and the petitions were severally referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Harris of Boston, of Charles E. Harris that Cornelius J. Robbins may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Cornelius J.
Robbins.

A petition, presented by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, of G. E. Miller and others for legislation requiring a yellow label on garments manufactured under the sweating system, bearing the statement that they were made in a tenement-house, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Public Health and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Sweating-system, — labels
for garments.

A petition, presented by Mr. Newell of West Newbury, of Fred S. Carr and others for incorporation as the Peoples' Street Railway Company, for the purpose of building and maintaining a street railway from the terminus of the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway in West Newbury to the terminus of the Newburyport and Amesbury Street Railway in Newburyport, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Newell, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties

Peoples' Street
Railway Com-
pany.

after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule:—

Sweating system, — ready-made clothing.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 357 of the Acts of the year 1891 as to provide that finishers of ready-made clothing shall procure a license before commencing the labor of so finishing; and of so amending section 4 of said chapter 357 as to provide that the words "tenement made" shall be printed or written on the label required by said section.

The following:—

College medical degrees.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making it a punishable offence to falsely assume a college medical degree with intent to defraud,—

Came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Railroads, — car couplers and brakes.

Resolutions relating to the adoption of national legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes, and the greater safety of passengers (Senate, No. 21) (reported on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the further protection of railroad employees, and on an order) adopted by the Senate, were read and considered, under a suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, as follows, to wit:—

Whereas, Resolutions were adopted by the last General Court relative to urging upon Congress the adoption of legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes and improved devices for the safety of passengers upon railroads, and a committee of members of the last General Court was appointed to proceed to Washington and represent to the appropriate committee or committees of Congress the need of such legislation, which committee has been unable to discharge its duties as yet, owing to the fact that the proper time has not arrived; and

Whereas, It is desirable that there should be an expression of the opinion of the present General Court upon the

same subject and a committee appointed to act with the committee of last year, —

Resolved, That in the opinion of this General Court legislation should be enacted by Congress which will tend to prevent the loss of life resulting from the present dangerous and imperfect methods of car coupling and insufficient brakes, and from the present methods of heating, lighting and operating railway cars ;

Resolved, That [A] of the joint committee on Railroads of the present General Court two members on the part of the Senate, and three members on the part of the House be instructed to proceed to Washington and act with the committee of the last General Court in urging this matter upon the attention of the appropriate committee or committees of Congress.

Mr. Powers moved to amend at [A] by striking out the words "of the joint committee on Railroads of the present General Court two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House be instructed," and inserting in place thereof the words "a joint special committee of the present General Court, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House, be appointed." The amendment was adopted, and the resolutions, as amended, were adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House. On further motion of Mr. Powers, Rule 15 was suspended.

A Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 15) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

A remonstrance of Peter Lynch and others against the division of the town of Tisbury was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns.

Division of
Tisbury.

The House petitions, —

Of Alexander H. Rice, Josiah Quincy and others that section 27 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes be so amended that the members of all corporations may vote by proxy ;

Proxy voting by
corporations.

Of Edward L. Tead for legalization of his acts as justice of the peace ; and

Edward L.
Tead.

Of the selectmen of the town of Warren that the vote of said town to authorize the treasurer to borrow money for the expense of altering grade crossings be legalized ;

Town of
Warren, —
grade crossings.

Severally came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Applications
for abatement
of taxes.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill relating to the time within which application for abatement of taxes may be made. (House, No. 77.)

Town of
Marblehead,—
water loan.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 78.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the following order was taken from the table, and was adopted, in concurrence :—

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners,—
Boston Gas
Company.

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows :—

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company has within the past six months made any advances in its charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company can manufacture gas delivered in its holders and at the meters of its consumers, and pay dividends of 8 per cent. on its capital stock, and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of its plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company is hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company is paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas which it could manufacture for a less sum per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the Bay State Gas Company diverts the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners for the purpose of this investigation and report are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers, and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

On motions of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the following orders were severally taken from the table, and were severally adopted, in concurrence :—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island. City of Boston, — Deer Island.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

On motions of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to specifying the dates for holding the sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk in Stoughton and Canton was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Dodge of Natick moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed the Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature. (House, No. 57.) After debate the motion was rejected by a vote of 57 to 89. Railroad passes, — compensation of members of the Legislature.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds (House, No. 69) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. English bloodhounds.

Bill enacted and a Resolve passed.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

An engrossed Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution relative to payment of mileage to members of the General Court (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank (House, No. 70) ;

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other states (House, No. 72) ; and

To authorize the town of Provincetown to expend money to water its streets (House, No. 74) ;

Resolves :

In favor of the town of Oxford (House, No. 71) ; and

In favor of Joanna L. Cox (House, No. 73) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator (House, No. 68) was read a second time.

Mr. Dolan of Boston moved to amend by inserting at the end the following words : “ unless and except so far as the will is made in exercise of a power of appointment, and the estate thereby appointed would not, in default of appointment, pass to the persons that would have been entitled to the same if it had been the testator’s own estate and he or she had died without disposing of it by will.” The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors (House, No. 66) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Jennings of Worcester, at three minutes past three o’clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of James Charnock Wild fowl. and others in aid of the petition of E. G. Pond and others for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886 so as to permit the shooting of wild fowl from a sail boat. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Winslow of Norwood, petition of Charles C. Norfolk County, — new judicial district. Loring and others in aid of the petition of John R. Bullard and others for the establishment of a new judicial district in Norfolk County, embracing the towns of Dedham and Norwood. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petition of the Holyoke Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses. Board of Trade in aid of the order relative to the repeal of the act limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition presented by Mr. Brock of Lynn, of L. M. West Lynn Trust Company. Brock and others for the incorporation of the West Lynn Trust Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Brock, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Corporate
Building
Association.

A petition, presented by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, of Henry W. Dudley and others for the incorporation of the Corporate Building Association, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Blanchard, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

Committee on
Drainage.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Gloucester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to travel within the limits of the State in the performance of their duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford :—

Wild fowl.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, as amended by chapter 254 of the Acts of the year 1891, by inserting after the words “steam launch” in the tenth line thereof the words “steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam ;” so that said section as amended shall read as follows :—

“*Sect. 6.* Whoever takes or kills a game bird or water fowl, hare or rabbit by means of a trap, net or snare, or by the use of a ferret ; and whoever, for the purpose of taking or killing a game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, constructs or sets any trap, snare or net, or uses a ferret ; and whoever shoots at or kills any wild fowl or any of the so-called shore, marsh or beach birds with or by the use of a swivel or pivot gun, or by the use of a torch, jack or artificial light, or pursues any wild fowl with or by aid of a sail boat or steam launch, steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam, shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars ; and the constructing or setting of any trap, snare or net adapted for the taking or killing of a game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, upon premises frequented by such game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, shall be presumptive evidence of such constructing and setting with intent to take and kill contrary to law,” —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Tucker, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one; and also to provide for the compensation and duties of said commissioners, —

Pilot commissioners of the harbor of Boston.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "joint committee on the Judiciary," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of enacting a general law governing all cities and towns having a public water supply, —

Water supply of cities and towns.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "having a public water supply," and inserting in place thereof the words "in introducing, extending, regulating and maintaining systems of public water supply," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House order came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations in permissions given under section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, to carry on the business of slaughtering, melting or rendering, and other noxious and offensive trades within their territory.

Noxious and offensive trades

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Memorial
Association.

A Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (Senate, No. 18) (being a resolve introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad Com-
pany.

The House Bill to amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (House, No. 36) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:—

“*Section 1.* Section 3 of chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891 is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘act,’ in the third line thereof, the words ‘and for the construction of extensions and branches of its railroad line as shall be hereafter determined,’ and by striking out the word ‘upon’ in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word ‘on,’ also by inserting after the word ‘line’ in the sixth line the words ‘and upon any extensions and branches which shall be constructed and made thereto,’ by striking out the word ‘either’ in the twelfth line and inserting in place thereof the word ‘any,’ and by striking out the words ‘by this act’ in the fourteenth line and inserting in place thereof the words, ‘and actually paid in at the time of the issue of the bonds’ so as to read as follows:—

“‘*Sect. 3.* The Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act and for the construction of extensions and branches of its railroad line as shall be hereafter determined, is hereby authorized to issue bonds on its existing railroad, and if the Deerfield Valley Railroad be purchased and consolidated as herein provided, then upon the whole line, and upon any extensions and branches which shall be constructed and made thereto, to an amount not exceeding eight thousand dollars per mile for narrow gauge track and fifteen thousand dollars per mile for standard gauge track, said bonds to be issued, recorded and approved in accordance with the provisions of section sixty-two of chapter one hundred and twelve of the Public Statutes and acts amendatory thereof: *provided*, that in any case the amount of bonds so issued shall not exceed the capital stock authorized and actually paid in at the time of the issue of the bonds.’

" Sect. 2. To secure the bonds issued under the provisions of the said third section as amended by this act, the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company is hereby authorized to give to trustees for the holders of said bonds a mortgage of its railroad, stations, rolling stock, equipments, property, real and personal, and franchises wherever and however situate, now acquired or hereafter to be acquired, whether under the provisions of said chapter 208 or otherwise, and all extensions and branches which shall be hereafter constructed and made to the line and property now owned by it or hereafter acquired by it.

" Sect. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Also by striking out in the title the words "to amend chapter two hundred and eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one."

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 27) (reported on the message from the Governor relative to a Bill, introduced into the National House of Representatives, "to regulate the fisheries and for other purposes"), adopted by the Senate, were read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warren of Boston, and after debate, were adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 66 to 58.

Massachusetts
fisheries.

The Resolutions relating to the adoption of national legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes, and the greater safety of passengers (Senate, No. 21), came down with the endorsement that Messrs. Raymond and Kimball had been appointed as the joint special committee on the part of the Senate. Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Lakin of Westfield and Mellen of Worcester were joined on the part of the House, and the resolutions were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Railroads, —
car couplers
and brakes.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Petition of the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches for leave to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Benevolent
Fraternity of
Churches.

Salaries of the
constables of the
South Boston
municipal court.

Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased. To the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Taxation of
municipal
bonds.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn for such legislation as shall exempt municipal bonds from taxation. To the committee on Taxation.

Reports of Committees.

Intoxicating
liquors, — vote
on the question
of granting
licenses.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the local-option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold may be during three years, and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, in Boston on
election days.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall permit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mutual boiler
insurance com-
panies.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Insurance, on an order, a Bill concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk. (House, No. 83.)

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, at summer
resorts.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on petitions, a Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts. (House, No. 81.) (Messrs. Sullivan of Boston and Halley of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of South
Hadley, — fire
district.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate and enlarge the powers of fire district No. 1 in the town of South Hadley. (House, No. 82.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mary Powers.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Mary Powers. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted, in concurrence, the order relative to instructing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners to report to the Legislature certain information regarding the Boston Gas Company, which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners,—
Boston Gas
Company.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock ;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan (House, No. 78) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill relating to the time within which application for abatement of taxes may be made (House, No. 77) was read a second time and considered, and after debate was rejected.

The Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department (House, No. 30) were adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress the importance and public benefit of transferring the officers, seamen and vessels of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department, and request Congress to pass a bill effecting that purpose.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the presiding officers of both houses of Congress, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

Bills :

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank (House, No. 70) ;

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other states (House, No. 72) ; and

To authorize the town of Provincetown to expend money to water its streets (House, No. 74) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the town of Oxford (House, No. 71) ; and

In favor of Joanna L. Cox (House, No. 73) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator (House, No. 79) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Dolan of Boston moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon July 1st, 1892." After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, at six minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, acting as overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was received and was referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, a Bill to repeal chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled "An Act for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," and to authorize certain persons to take mackerel and menhaden with nets and seines. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, petitions of Charles N. Hoyt and 65 others, of H. A. Chase and 49 others, of Calvin H. Weeks, H. P. Snay and 206 others, of Moses How, C. E. Sturgis and 221 others, citizens of Haverhill; and by Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, petitions of George E. Tozier and 95 others, of William H. Hurd and 139 others, of John B. Wright and 279 others, and of William E. Carey and 73 others, citizens of Haverhill, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Lowell, Lawrence and
Haverhill Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Haverhill and
Amesbury
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Brown of Amesbury, petition of Richard F. Briggs and 61 other citizens of Amesbury in aid of the petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of Mary M. Richardson and others of Warren that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Id.

By the same gentleman, petition of S. B. Richardson and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors and other officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston.

A petition presented by Mr. Charles of Boston, of the mayor of Boston for authority to take part of the old cemetery on Walter street near Weld street in the West Roxbury district, for street purposes, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Charles, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Worcester Dis-
trict Methodist
Episcopal
Church Camp-
meeting Asso-
ciation.

A petition, presented by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, of James Mudge for an amendment of the charter of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-Meeting Association, so that the maximum number of trustees shall be eleven, one of whom shall be the presiding elder of the district, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Parkhurst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee:—

Railroads,—
rates of fare.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of compelling every railroad corporation within

this Commonwealth to carry all passengers at a rate of fare not exceeding two cents per mile, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. O'Neil, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sullivan of Fall River: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to provide that in conditional sales of furniture and other household effects, whether such sales be made in the form of a lease or otherwise, in all cases where fifty per cent. or more than fifty per cent. of the contract price has been paid by the vendee, upon default in the conditions of the lease by the vendee, after the expiration of the fifteen days now provided by said act, for the vendee's equity of redemption, the goods so forfeited shall be sold by the vendor at public auction, and the balance of the price of said sale, after deducting the balance due the vendor on the contract price and the actual expenses of the auction sale, shall be paid to the vendee or his legal representatives, —

Conditional
sales of furni-
ture.

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Sullivan, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 201 of the Acts of the year 1868, relating to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston, so as to provide that said city may by ordinance designate some officer or person in the employ of said city to issue licenses for blasting rocks or other substances within three hundred feet of a public place or highway on such terms and conditions as said city may by ordinance

City of Boston,
— blasting.

prescribe, and so as to provide a penalty by a fine against any person who shall violate the terms of the act or any conditions or terms contained in any license which may be issued under the provisions of said act.

The following order : —

Superior courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relating to superior courts, —

Came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Minors, —
licenses to sell
goods, wares or
merchandise.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors to sell goods, wares or merchandise as provided in section two of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, so that boards of aldermen and selectmen shall have power to make regulations relating thereto without any authorization of the city council or town being required, —

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “committee on Cities,” and inserting in place thereof the words “joint committee on the Judiciary,” in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

County commis-
sioners, —
vacancies.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, —

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions,” and inserting in place thereof the words “committee on the Judiciary.” The House non-concurred in the amendment, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Widow of
Gardiner Tufts.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts (Senate, No. 19) (being a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill relative to the East Gloucester Baptist Society (House, No. 67) came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following new title: "Bill to change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society, and to define its powers," in which amendment the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

East Gloucester
Baptist Society.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of William E. Ford and others that the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts may be exempt from taxation. To the committee on Taxation, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Odd Fellows'
Home of
Massachusetts.

Petition of the water commissioners of the town of Holbrook, in behalf of said town, for authority to make an additional water loan. To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Holbrook, town
of,—water
bonds.

A petition of William E. Murdock and others, a committee of the Park Street Church Congregational Society in Boston, for authority to extinguish all rights in or to tombs under its church edifice, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Park Street
Church Congre-
gational Society.

Notice was received from the Senate that that branch had elected, in non-concurrence, Alonzo H. Evans of Everett Councillor in the Sixth Councillor District, to fill the vacancy existing by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

Election of
Councillor.

Election of Councillor.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, was considered:—

Ordered, That to-morrow, at half-past two o'clock, be assigned for the election on the part of the House of a Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District.

Mr. Lanigan of Boston moved to amend by striking out the word "to-morrow" and inserting in place thereof the words, "Tuesday next." After debate the amendment was rejected by a vote of 44 to 105, and the order was adopted.

Reports of Committees.

Notice of
appointment
of executors and
administrators.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the statute provisions requiring executors and administrators to give notice of their appointment and to file an affidavit thereof.

Involuntary
insolvency
proceedings.

By Mr. Capen of Stoughton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the classes of persons liable to involuntary insolvency proceedings.

Free silver.

By Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that our Senators and Representatives in Congress may be instructed to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold and for the free coinage of silver.

Were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Use of check
lists in town
meeting.

By Mr. Healy of Dudley, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the use of check lists in town meetings ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. (House, No. 84.)

Cranberry
lands.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 48 of chapter 190 of the Public Statutes relating to the erection of dams and ditches for flowing and draining cranberry lands. (House, No. 85.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Justices of
supreme judi-
cial court,—
salaries.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Massachusetts
fisheries.

Mr. Smith of Gloucester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted, in concurrence, the Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 27). After debate the motion to reconsider prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the resolutions, in concurrence, Mr. Hoar of Boston

moved that they be referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, with instructions to give a public hearing. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion prevailed by a vote of 105 yeas to 85 nays, and the resolutions were referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game with instructions, and sent up for concurrence.

The vote was as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buck, Anson
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Capen, Robert P.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.

Messrs. Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Friend, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.

Messrs. Oakes, William H.	Messrs. Savage, Patrick J.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Perkins, Augustus G.	Simonds, George R.
Perkins, George W.	Smith, James B.
Potter, Samuel A.	Smith, Sylvanus
Presho, Edward W.	Stickney, Clarence
Proctor, George O.	St. John, Thomas E.
Quinn, Timothy F.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Read, Franklin F.	Sundberg, John F.
Richardson, Albert W.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Taft, Henry G.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Turner, Edward E.
Rivers, George R. R.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Rockwell, Henry F.	Woodward, Amos P.
Roe, Alfred S.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Rosnosky, Isaac	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Durant, William B.
Anderson, Stephen	Fairbanks, Edward
Ashley, Henry W.	French, Russell M.
Austin, J. Lewis	Gallup, William W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Garfield, George H.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Halley, Dennis E.
Battles, David W.	Heald, Joseph B.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Healy, Lemuel
Blodgett, Albert G.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Blodgett, Percival	Hevey, Thomas D.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Hinds, John F.
Brewer, Edward S.	Howard, S. Edward
Brock, Lemuel M.	Howe, S. Augustus
Brown, Benjamin F.	Hyde, William S.
Brown, Samuel J.	Jennison, Henry J.
Buckley, William P.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Burke, James F.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Cannon, William	Lawrence, William B.
Carter, James H.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Casey, Joseph J.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Charles, Salem D.	Low, Emery M.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Lowe, William W.
Connolly, Francis	Luby, Patrick B.
Crane, George A.	Luther, William
Crosby, James P.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crosman, Charles	McAnally, Frank
Crowell, Elkanah	McCall, Samuel W.
Cutler, George E.	McLoughlin, John T.
Cutler, George P.	Melaven, James F.
Daley, Edward L.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Driscoll, John A.	Meyer, George v. L.

Messrs. Miller, Horace E.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nichols, DeWitt C.
Nye, Charles H.
O'Brien, John J.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, Bowdoin S.
Parker, James O.
Richmond, Silas P.
Rideout, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Ruggles, Henry E.
Sargent, J. Bradford
Soule, George L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sprague, Charles F.
Tucker, George F.
Warren, Bentley W.
Whitcomb, N. Emery
Wier, Fred N.
Wilder, Aaron O.

Yeas, 105 ; Nays, 85.

PAIR.

On this question the following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Hoar, John J.*

Mr. Sullivan, Michael F.

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 81) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, Feb. 24, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Intoxicating
liquors, sale
of at summer,
resorts.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

*Orders of the Day.*Orders of the
day.**Reports :**

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to changing the local option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold may be during three years, and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities ; and

On an order relative to such legislation as shall permit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District, No. 1, in the town of South Hadley (House, No. 82), was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds (House, No. 69) was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to specifying the dates for holding the sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk in Stoughton and Canton was considered. Mr. Rivers of Milton moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to designate the times and places for holding the sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 53 to 53, and the report was accepted.

The Bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan (House, No. 78) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk (House, No. 83) was read a second time and considered. After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,—

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, at 4 o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, on the best methods to be adopted in order to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth against the dangers to human life and health which may arise from the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, was received and was referred to the committee on Public Health, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
State Board of
Agriculture, —
tuberculosis.

Papers from the Senate.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing a form of charter for large towns which shall embody more of the features of town government than the present form of city charter, —

Town charters.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words “committee on Cities,” and inserting in place thereof the words “committee on Towns;” also by striking out all after the word “shall,” and inserting in place thereof the following: “require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns,” in which amendments the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring a two-thirds vote in making town appropriations or grants, between the time of the assessment of taxes and the next annual town meeting, —

Town
appropriations.

Came down adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "committee on Taxation," and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on Towns," in which amendment the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Commissioner
of Public
Records of
Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records and a petition in aid of the same; also the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

City of Brock-
ton, — rate of
taxation.

A Bill to further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (Senate, No. 22) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of
Woburn, —
250th
anniversary.

A Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town (Senate, No. 20), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Widow of
Hamilton B.
Staples.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Savings banks,
— St. Johnsbury
and Lake
Champlain
Railroad.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howard, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that persons in order to be eligible as members of a school committee or school board must be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen.

School committees.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth.

Study of the State Constitution in schools.

By Mr. Heffernan of Fall River, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further regulating the uniform of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers.

Volunteer militia, — uniform of field and staff officers.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation against walking on railroad tracks.

Walking on railroad tracks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts, in part, a Bill authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. (House, No. 86.)

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 15) ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. (House, No. 94.)

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill concerning the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston. (House, No. 92.)

City of Boston, — Nicholas A. Apollonio.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Expenditures, on a petition, a Bill concerning the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, one of the county commissioners of Berkshire County. (House, No. 99.)

Berkshire County, — Charles H. Ingalls.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, on the report of the Topographical Survey Commission, a Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts. (House, No. 98.)

Topographical survey and map of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on petitions, a Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year. (House, No. 100.)

Sale of trout artificially propagated.

Commitment of
lunatics and
dipsomaniacs.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs. (House, No. 93.)

Town of
Methuen, —
water supply.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water." (House, No. 96.)

Methuen Water
Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company. (House, No. 97.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mary Powers.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Mary Powers ought to pass. (House, No. 87.)

Luther F.
Chamberlain.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Luther F. Chamberlain ought to pass. (House, No. 88.)

Sidney Herrick.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Sidney Herrick ought to pass. (House, No. 89.)

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, —
statistics con-
cerning
tenements in
the city of
Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston ought to pass. (Senate, No. 13.)

Shubael C.
Norton.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Shubael C. Norton ought to pass. (House, No. 90.)

State Farm at
Bridgewater

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ought to pass. (House, No. 91.)

Gettysburg
Battlefield
Memorial
Association.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ought to pass. (Senate, No. 18.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Hampshire
county, —
probate records.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill from the committee on Finance, that the Bill extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire ought to pass. (House, No. 63.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

By Mr. Brigham of Hudson, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Damon. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Samuel H.
Damon.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, with instructions to give a public hearing, the Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 27), which motion was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman. Subsequently, on further motion of Mr. Warren, the motion to reconsider was taken from the table by a vote of 91 to 33, and after debate was adopted by a vote of 105 to 80. The recurring question on reference to the committee on Fisheries and Game with instructions was, after debate, lost by a vote of 75 to 92. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the resolutions, in concurrence, they were, on motion of Mr. Casey of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, by a vote of 86 to 81.

Massachusetts
fisheries.

Mr. Rivers of Milton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to specifying the dates for holding the sessions of the district court of Southern Norfolk in Stoughton and Canton. After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 60 to 89.

Sessions of the
district court of
Southern
Norfolk.

Special Assignment — Election of Councillor.

At half-past two o'clock the special assignment was taken up, it being the election, on the part of the House, of an Executive Councillor, to fill the vacancy in the sixth councillor district, existing by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring. Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved that the House proceed to ballot; that a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes; that ten minutes be allowed for the presentation of the names of the different candidates, and five minutes each to members seconding nominations. After debate, the motion prevailed.

Election of
Councillor.

The following-named gentlemen were placed in nomination: Mr. Howe of Lowell, by Mr. Wier of Lowell; Mr. Las Casas of Malden, by Mr. Carter of Wakefield; Mr. Evans of Everett, by Mr. Bennett of Everett; Mr. Jefts of Hudson, by Mr. Brigham of Hudson.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Blanchard of Boston, Brewer of Springfield, Battles of Brockton, Jewett of North Adams, Barney of New Bedford and Hoar of Boston a committee to receive, sort and count the votes.

Mr. Blanchard, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes	216
Necessary for a choice	109
William B. de Las Casas had	14
Frank W. Howe of Lowell had	39
Luman T. Jefts of Hudson had	49
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had	114

And Alonzo H. Evans was declared elected on the part of the House, in concurrence with the Senate, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Involuntary
insolvency
proceedings.

On motions of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the classes of persons liable to involuntary insolvency proceedings, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the statute provisions requiring executors and administrators to give notice of their appointment and to file an affidavit thereof, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that our senators and representatives in Congress be instructed

to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold and for the free coinage of silver, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk (House, No. 83) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the use of check lists in town meetings (House, No. 84) ; and

To amend section 48 of chapter 190 of the Public Statutes, relating to the erection of dams and ditches for flowing and draining cranberry lands (House, No. 85) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts (Senate, No. 19) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds (House, No. 69) ; and

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District No. 1 in the town of South Hadley (House, No. 82) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lougee of Salem, at six minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Commission on
Public Records
of Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, a Bill to continue the commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Tucker the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Public troughs
and fountains.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, a Bill to amend the Public Statutes, relating to public troughs and fountains. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Hooker the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of the town officers and others of Provincetown in aid of the petition of Elihu B. Hayes and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, petition of Daniel W. Deane and 60 others of Fairhaven in aid of the petition of John J. Bryant and others for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, petition of Jerome Jones and others in aid of the petition of the special committee of the Boston Associated Board of Trade for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Attachments,—
rights of defend-
ants.

By Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, petition of Fred H. Knight and others for the enactment of such legislation as will constitute 56 hours a week's work for women and children employed in manufacturing and mercantile establishments.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

By the same gentleman, petition of Daniel J. Manning and others for such legislation as will constitute eight hours a legal day's work for State, county, city or town employees.

Hours of labor,
—eight-hour
law.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote of any proposed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning ; and

Submission of
legislative acts
and resolves to
the people.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Ship canal from
Buzzard's Bay
to Barnstable
Bay.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

A Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building (Senate, No. 23) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Brock-
ton,— city hall.

A petition of The Samuel Winslow Skate Manufacturing Company and others for legislation requiring engineers of steam-boats and stationary engines to be licensed, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Licensing of
persons in
charge of steam-
boats and
stationary
engines.

Reports of Committees.

Cigarettes.

By Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the Commonwealth.

Use of tobacco by minors.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation to prevent the use of tobacco by persons under sixteen years of age.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

City of Waltham, — sewers.

By Mr. Lane of Gloucester, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Waltham to borrow additional funds for sewers and drains. (House, No. 104.)

Wild fowl.

By Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order and petitions, a Bill to remove the penalty for pursuing wild fowl with a sail boat. (House, No. 105.)

Packing and branding of nails.

By Mr. Bessom of Lynn, from the committee on Manufactures, on an order, a Bill relative to the packing and branding of nails. (House, No. 103.)

Attleborough, — Fire District No. 1.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize an additional water supply for Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough. (House, No. 101.)

Millis Water Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Millis Water Company. (House, No. 102.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

John Ord, Jr.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John Ord, Jr.

George H. Gould.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George H. Gould.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Framingham Normal School, — sale of land.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for the sale of a lot of land at the Framingham Normal School ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (House, No. 100) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, February 25, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Sale of trout
artificially
propagated.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

To change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society and to define its powers ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

Making appropriations for the incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. '

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth ; and

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further regulating the uniform of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation against walking on railroad tracks, was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Lawrence of Medford.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that persons in order to be eligible as members of a school committee or a school board must be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen, was, on motion of Mr. Wood of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, February 24, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills :

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (House, No. 86) ;

Concerning the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston (House, No. 92) ;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipso-maniacs (House, No. 93) ;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water" (House, No. 96) ;

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) ;

Concerning the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, one of the county commissioners of Berkshire County (House, No. 99) ; and

To further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (Senate, No. 22) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mary Powers (House, No. 87) ;

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain (House, No. 88) ;

In favor of Sidney Herrick (House, No. 89) ;

In favor of Shubael C. Norton (House, No. 90) ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 91) ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 94) ;

In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (House, No. 98) ;

Providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 13); and

Relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (Senate, No. 18);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 63) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the use of check lists in town meetings (House, No. 84) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts (Senate, No. 19) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk (House, No. 83) was read a third time, and pending the question on engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke.

The Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 27) were further considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in their adoption. Mr. Galloupe of Beverly moved that the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until Thursday next, Feb. 25, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 29 to 116. Mr. Toomey of Boston moved that the resolutions be referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Mr. Anderson of Cambridge moved to amend the motion by substituting the joint committee on the Judiciary for the committee on Fisheries and Game. Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend the amendment by adding the words "with instructions to give a public hearing, and report not later than Thursday next." Mr. Nutting of Northampton moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost by a vote of 21 to 97. After debate the amendment to the amendment was lost. The amendment moved by Mr. Anderson was lost. On the question on reference to the committee on Fisheries and Game the

yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston, and the roll being called the motion prevailed by a vote of 105 yeas to 78 nays, and the resolutions were sent up for concurrence in the reference.

The vote was as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Golding, John
Allen, James E.	Graham, John R.
Andrews, Miles S.	Gray, Joshua S.
Atwood, Edward B.	Green, George H. B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Hall, Henry C.
Baker, William G.	Harding, N. Frank
Bardwell, Henry D.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Hoar, John J.
Bennett, Frank P.	Holmes, Charles H.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Hooker, Charles H.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Horton, Everett S.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Hoyt, Warren
Breen, Daniel F.	Jackson, Charles T.
Brigham, William H.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Jenks, George W.
Brown, Samuel J.	Jennings, Henry J.
Bryant, Charles H.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Burbank, Roland E.	Kelly, Charles A.
Chance, Charles J.	Lane, Howard G.
Chester, Dwight	Lawrence, Amos A.
Clark, Edward P.	Loud, John C.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Clark, Louis M.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Clayton, Horace E.	McEvoy, John W.
Clough, George S.	McLean, Isaac
Coakley, Daniel H.	McSolla, Richard F.
Crosby, James P.	Mooney, William L.
Crowell, Elkanah	Morse, Stillman F.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Nickerson, Osborn
Delaney, Patrick	Nourse, Andrew L.
Dennis, William D.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Nye, Charles H.
Dolan, William J.	Parker, James O.
Fairbanks, Edward	Perkins, Augustus G.
Fall, George	Perkins, George W.
Ferren, Myron J.	Potter, Samuel A.
Fiske, Granville C.	Pratt, Amasa
Fletcher, J. Henry	Presho, Edward W.
Friend, George H.	Proctor, George O.
Galloupe, George A.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Gallup, William W.	Quinn, Timothy F.
George, Edwin H.	Richardson, Albert W.
Giles, Joseph J.	Richardson, Arthur C.

Messrs. Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Messrs. Stickney, Clarence
Rivers, George R. R.	St. John, Thomas E.
Roe, Alfred S.	Sundberg, John F.
Savage, Patrick J.	Taft, Henry G.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Turner, Edward E.
Shute, Charles F.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Simonds, George R.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Smith, James B.	Wood, Frank C.
Smith, Sylvanus	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Jennison, Henry J.
Anderson, Stephen	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Ashley, Henry W.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Austin, J. Lewis	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Lawrence, William B.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Low, Emery M.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Luby, Patrick B.
Buckley, William P.	Luther, William
Burke, James F.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Burnham, Lewis	Lynch, John B.
Cannon, William	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Carroll, Michael	McAnally, Frank
Carter, James H.	McCall, Samuel W.
Casey, Joseph J.	McLoughlin, John T.
Charles, Salem D.	Melaven, James F.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Crane, George A.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Crosman, Charles	Norton, John H.
Cutler, George E.	O'Brien, John J.
Cutler, George P.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Dacey, Charles M.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Daley, Edward L.	Parkhurst, Wellington F.
Durant, William B.	Richmond, Silas P.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Francis, Frank W.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Ross, Samuel
Garfield, George H.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Halley, Dennis E.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Hart, William H.	Sprague, Charles F.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Hemenway, William H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Tucker, George F.
Hinds, John F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Howard, S. Edward	Wier, Fred N.
Howe, S. Augustus	Woodward, Amos P.

Yeas, 105 ; Nays, 78.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*	Messrs. Moriarty, Eugene M.
Hale, Charles H.	Battles, David W.*
Bates, Jacob P.	Hyde, William S.*
Dole, Eben S.	Connolly, Francis*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Nutting of Northampton, at nineteen minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Charles of Boston had been appointed to preside. Mr. Charles accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Apportionment of Taxes.

A report upon the equalization and apportionment of State and county taxes, prepared under the provisions of sections 96 and 97 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes (House, No. 95), was received from the Tax Commissioner and was referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Apportionment
of State and
county taxes.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of the selectmen and others of Sandwich for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers. To the committee on Labor.

Condition of
laborers.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, petition of the Natick Woman Suffrage League and the Natick Woman's Christian Temperance Union that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
agents.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, petitions of D. M. Nolan and 12 others, Thomas Lahey and 85 others, J. H. Sayward and 23 others, citizens of Haverhill; and by Mr. Brown of Amesbury, petition of George Adams and others of Amesbury and Merrimac,—severally, in aid of the petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

Haverhill and
Amesbury
Street Railway
Company.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, petitions of John Taylor and 18 others, of J. F. Emerson and 24 others, of J. S. Howe and 101 others, of Lewis E. Barnes and 63 others, of Benjamin Wagg and 75 others, of John H. George and 129 others, and of Charles W. Mann and 112 others, citizens of Methuen, — severally, in aid of the petition of C. W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Free use of halls in cities and towns.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the petition of T. C. Brophy for a law granting the free use of halls, owned by towns and cities, for meetings of citizens. To the committee on Towns.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, petition of Matilda Tibbetts and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Id.

By the same gentleman, petitions of the Natick Woman's Suffrage League and the Natick Woman's Christian Temperance Union, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

World's Fair.

A petition, presented by Mr. Roe of Worcester, of Henry T. Cheever and others that the State appropriation to the World's Fair at Chicago be made to include the legislative request that the exhibition be not kept open on Sunday, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Roe, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Notice to Alonzo H. Evans of his election as councillor.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Alonzo H. Evans that he has been elected Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

The House order, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, —

County commissioners, —
vacancies.

Adopted, in concurrence, by the Senate, with an amendment, striking out the words “joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions,” and inserting in place thereof the words “joint committee on the Judiciary,” in which amendment the House non-concurred, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment. On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the House receded from its non-concurrence, and concurred with the Senate, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House order came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884, as to provide that in conditional sales of furniture and other household effects, whether such sales be made in the form of a lease or otherwise, in all cases where fifty per cent. or more than fifty per cent. of the contract price has been paid by the vendee, upon default in the conditions of the lease by the vendee, after the expiration of the fifteen days now provided by said act for the vendee's equity of redemption, the goods so forfeited shall be sold by the vendor at public auction, and the balance of the price of said sale, after deducting the balance due the vendor on the contract price and the actual expenses of the auction sale, shall be paid to the vendee or his legal representatives.

Conditional
sales of furni-
ture.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, who were instructed to examine the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, that they had examined all the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General and found the same to correspond strictly with the schedule thereof; and that they had also examined the cash on hand in the office of the Treasurer

Securities in the
hands of the
treasurer.

and certified by cashiers of the several banks of deposit, and found the same correct, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge.

Bills :

City of Brockton, — assistant assessors.

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 26) : and

Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester.

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester (Senate, No. 32) ;

Severally reported on a petition and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the Governor.

A Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 33) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

United States Fish Commission, — Squam Pond in Gloucester.

The House Bill placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission (House, No. 65), came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out all after the word "pond" in section 1, line 9 ; also by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : "*Sect. 2.* Whoever wilfully and without right defiles or pollutes the waters of said pond, or obstructs or interferes with the control or operations of said commission therein, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars." On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

System of police for the Commonwealth.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a system of police for the Commonwealth.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Petition of Lydia H. Olmsted and others that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class shall be granted. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Petition of Lydia H. Olmsted and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy moth, and certain other expenses authorized the present year (House, No. 115). Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, Rule 15 was also suspended. Subsequently, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to dispense with an extended record of actions in the supreme judicial and superior courts, and providing that the dockets in the several clerks' offices and the papers therein referred to shall of themselves constitute a record of such actions.

By Mr. Hevey of Woburn, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Heman S. Fay and others for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth.

By Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution to be voted for at the following election.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M.

Woman
suffrage.

Appropriation
bill.

Records of
actions in the
supreme judi-
cial and supe-
rior courts.

Disqualification
for crime.

Constitutional
amendments, —
notice to voters.

State loan for
building homes.

Berry that a State loan of three million dollars be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people and to be paid for in rent.

Baker's Protective Assembly, — Sunday law.

By Mr. Batcheller of Sutton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from the burdens imposed upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath.

Orleans Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association.

Town of Westminster, — water supply.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw (without prejudice to the right of the town of Westminster to take the water of said pond) on the petition of James Merriam and others of Westminster for authority to take water from Meeting-house Pond in the town of Westminster.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Perjury.

- By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide and define the punishment for perjury. (House, No. 109.)

City of Lawrence, — bridge over north canal.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the North Canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city. (House, No. 107.)

Veranus Land Company.

By Mr. Brewer of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company. (House, No. 117.)

Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway. (House, No. 110.)

City of Fitchburg, — water supply.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the city of Fitchburg with pure water. (House, No. 111.)

Town of Orange, — water supply.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the same committee, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to supply the town of Orange with water. (House, No. 108.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

John Ord, Jr.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of John Ord, Jr., ought to pass. (House, No. 112.)

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of George H. Gould ought to pass. (House, No. 113.)

George H.
Gould.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School ought to pass. (House, No. 114.)

Framingham
Normal School.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Damon ought to pass. (House, No. 116.)

Samuel H.
Damon.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Resolve providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester.

State Normal
School at
Worcester.

By Mr. Fletcher of Belmont, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester.

Town of
Manchester.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, from the committee on Printing, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for the exchange of certain acts and resolves ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Exchange of
certain acts
and resolves.

Mr. Heald of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of William H. Robinson, and to whom was referred a petition relative to the same, reported that the resolve ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

William H.
Robinson.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the Bill to remove the penalty for pursuing wild fowl with a sailboat (House, No. 105) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Wild fowl.

Town of
Methuen, —
water supply.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water" (House, No. 96), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union that the sale of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age may be prohibited, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote of any proposed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning ; and

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the Commonwealth, was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, on motion of Mr. Clayton of Cambridge.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation against walking on railroad tracks, was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 1, on motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton. Walking on
railroad tracks.

Bills :

To authorize an additional water supply for Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough (House, No. 101) ;

To incorporate the Millis Water Company (House, No. 102) ;

Relative to the packing and branding of nails (House, No. 103) ;

To authorize the city of Waltham to borrow additional funds for sewers and drains (House, No. 104) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building (Senate, No. 23) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (House, No. 86) ;

Concerning the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston (House, No. 92) ;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs (House, No. 93) ;

Concerning the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, one of the county commissioners of Berkshire County (House, No. 99) ; and

Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 63) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mary Powers (House, No. 87) ;

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain (House, No. 88) ;

In favor of Sidney Herrick (House, No. 89) ;

In favor of Shubael C. Norton (House, No. 90) ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 91) ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 94) ; and

In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (House, No. 98) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (Senate, No. 22) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 13) ; and

Relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (Senate, No. 18) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk (House, No. 83), was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 48 of chapter 190 of the Public Statutes relating to the erection of dams and ditches for flowing and draining cranberry lands (House, No. 85) was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a " Bill determining the conditions under which dams may be erected in certain cases across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands " (House, No. 120), and as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at five minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The twenty-ninth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Report of the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

A report of the commissioner appointed to invite contributions of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth to be placed in the State House, was received and was referred to the committee on State House, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Portraits of
governors.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, a Bill to provide for the taxation of portable mills. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Hooker the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Taxation of
portable mills.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, petition of E. S. Phinney and others; and by Mr. Whitcomb of Boxborough, petition of the town officers of Carlisle and others,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional
amendments,—
division of
towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sion.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of E. H. Clement and others, of James Humphrey, James Hyde and others of North Weymouth, of the president of the Ashmont Improvement Club and others, of Frank E. Orcutt and others of Melrose, of Hilary Bygrave and others, Charles G. Loring and others, Henry Lee and Martin Brimmer and others of Boston, of Henry M. Whitney and others and Robert Treat Paine and others, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of 47 members of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange in aid of the Bill for interchangeable mileage tickets. To the committee on Railroads.

Boundary line
between
Templeton
and Phillipston.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, petition of H. F. Lane and others of Templeton in aid of the petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a readjustment of the boundary line between the towns of Templeton and Phillipston.

Division of
Longmeadow.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, petition of W. H. Coomes and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow.

Id.

By Mr. Smith of Hampden, remonstrances of Charles Burton and others, of J. Marshall Burt and others, of Diodato Morgan and others, of A. H. Calkins and others, and of Ethan C. Ely and others, — severally, against the division of the town of Longmeadow.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of
Somerville, —
fiftieth anni-
versary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Proctor of Somerville, of the mayor of Somerville that said city may be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$5,000 for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town; and

Storage of
petroleum
products.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the mayor of Somerville for legislation prohibiting the storage of petroleum products within the limits of cities except subject to regulations of the city council;

Severally came from the committee on Rules with the statement that they came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motions of Mr. Proctor, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in each case, and the petitions were severally referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule, and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, of the trustees of the North Wrentham Cemetery Association that its name may be changed to Norfolk Cemetery Association, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ruggles, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

North Wrentham Cemetery Association.

A petition, presented by Mr. Crosby of Worcester, of a committee of the G. A. R., department of Massachusetts, that rooms may be set apart in the new State House extension to be used by the G. A. R. as department headquarters, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Crosby, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on State House, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

G. A. R., — department headquarters in the new State House.

A petition, presented by Mr. Chester of Newton, of the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company for authority to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Chester, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Newton and Boston Street Railway Company.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, of the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company for authority to extend and operate its tracks in the town of Winthrop, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Richardson, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

Town of Winthrop, — Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park :—

Map of Congressional districts.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing fifteen hundred additional copies of the map accompanying the report of the committee appointed at the last session for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and showing the present congressional districts of the Commonwealth, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Powers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following orders, offered by Mr. Mooney of Boston :—

Salary of the justice of the police court of Lee.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee ; and

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee, and also for providing a clerk for said court ;

Severally came from the committee on Rules with the statement that they came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motions of Mr. Mooney, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in each case, and the orders were severally adopted and sent up for concurrence.

*Papers from the Senate.**Reports :*

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw :

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

On the petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ; and

Cape Cod Ship Canal.

On the petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital for an appropriation from the State treasury, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard of Boston.

Massachusetts
General
Hospital.

A Bill to raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas (Senate, No. 29) (reported on the report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Standard of illu-
minating gas.

A Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the superior and supreme judicial courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries (Senate, No. 28), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

County of
Middlesex, —
officers of the
supreme
judicial and
superior courts.

A Resolve (taken from the Senate files of last year) granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Thirty-fifth
Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts, that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of the inhabitants. To the committee on the Liquor Law, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
druggists'
licenses.

Petition of Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of the town of Northbridge, for authority to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding \$50,000, with the privilege of mortgaging the same. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Division 19,
Ancient Order
of Hibernians of
Northbridge.

Petition of Edward N. George and others, clerks of police and district courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts. To the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Salaries of
clerks of police
and district
courts.

New York &
New England
Railroad
Company.

Petition of the New York & New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property. To the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition of F. A. Chapell and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
—appropriations for
hospitals.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to enable the city of Boston to make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the city hospital.

Town of
Yarmouth, —
oysters.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. S. Farris and others for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth.

Margaret Weise.

By Mr. Crosby of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Margaret Weise for State aid.

Returns of
baptisms.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to require clergymen to make returns to town and city clerks and registrars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated.

Railroads, —
rates of fare.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates.

Residence of
voters for
purposes of
taxation.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that for the purpose of taxation or voting or being voted for for any office under the Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day

of May of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town.

Swampscott, —
fire department

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace. (House, No. 124.)

Edward L.
Tead.

By Mr. Andrews of Essex, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill for the protection of horses mutilated by docking. (House, No. 129.)

Docking of
horses.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company. (House, No. 126.)

Roxbury Trust
Company.

By Mr. Perkins of Somerville, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act relating to the sinking funds and the funded debt of the city of Somerville. (House, No. 127.)

City of Somer-
ville, — sinking
funds and
funded debt.

By Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate. (House, No. 123.)

Ipswich gram-
mar school.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill to except the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of the law allowing the taking of oysters at certain seasons without a permit. (House, No. 121.)

Town of
Yarmouth, —
oysters.

By Mr. Sweet of Norton, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 63 of the Acts of the year 1870, and chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1878, relating to the maintenance of Lagoon bridge between the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury. (House, No. 125.)

Towns of
Cottage City
and Tisbury, —
Lagoon bridge.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 122.)

City of Brock-
ton, — water
loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sessions of
probate courts
in Suffolk
County.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) fixing the times and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk ought to pass. (House, No. 128.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Publication and
posting of
constitutional
amendments.

By Mr. Whitcomb of Boxborough, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, a Bill providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Paper from the Senate.

Qualification of
Alonzo H.
Evans as
councillor.

A communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth was received, announcing that Alonzo H. Evans had signified his acceptance of the office of councillor, and was ready to be qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to Alonzo H. Evans, councillor-elect for the Sixth Councillor District.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its president took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Nichols and Read, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bennett of Everett, Brigham of Hudson, Parker of Methuen, Soule of Middleborough and Gilbride of Boston, of the House, were appointed to wait upon the councillor-elect and inform him that the two Houses were in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for office.

Soon afterwards councillor-elect Alonzo H. Evans came in, and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the president of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by him, and declaration was made accordingly.

The councillor then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to take from the Table.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to take from the table the Bill to repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water" (House, No. 96). After debate the motion was lost.

Town of
Methuen, —
water supply.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Presho of Boston, the seventh annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston (House, No. 35) was taken from the table and was referred as follows: —

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

So much thereof as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquor, pages 13, 14 and 15, to the committee on the Liquor Law; and

The residue of the report, to the committee on Cities.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, February 15, adopted, in concurrence, the order relative to instructing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners to report to the Legislature certain information concerning the Boston Gas Company was taken from the table. Mr. Chance of Boston moved that the motion to reconsider be postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, which motion was lost. After debate the motion to reconsider was lost.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
Boston Gas
Company.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Nutting of Northampton moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company. (House, No. 97.) After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 43 to 74.

Methuen Water
Company.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed

Constitutional
Amendments, —
notice to voters.

amendment to the Constitution to be voted for at the following election, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The same gentleman further moved that the report be laid on the table, which motion was lost, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Appropriation
bill.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy moth, and certain other expenses authorized the present year (House, No. 115), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was withdrawn, there being no objection.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to dispense with an extended record of actions in the supreme judicial and superior courts, and providing that the dockets in the several clerks' offices and the papers therein referred to shall of themselves constitute a record of such actions, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Heman S. Fay for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of John M. Berry that a State loan of three million dollars be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people, and to be paid for in rent ; and

On the petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from the burdens imposed upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw (without prejudice to the right of the town of Westminster

to take water of said pond), on the petition of James Merriam and others of Westminster for authority to take water from Meeting-house Pond in the town of Westminster;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway, in said city (House, No. 107);

To supply the town of Orange with water (House, No. 108);

To provide and define the punishment for perjury (House, No. 109);

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway (House, No. 110);

To supply the city of Fitchburg with pure water (House, No. 111);

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 26); and

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester (Senate, No. 32); and

Resolves :

In favor of John Ord, Jr. (House, No. 112);

In favor of George H. Gould (House, No. 113);

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School (House, No. 114); and

In favor of Samuel H. Damon (House, No. 116);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize an additional water supply for Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough (House, No. 101); and

To authorize the city of Waltham to borrow additional funds for sewers and drains (House, No. 104);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building (Senate, No. 23) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer

resorts (House, No. 81) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Sullivan of Boston moved to amend by striking out in section 1, lines 49, 50, 51, 52, 53 and 54, the words "*Provided, further*, that no such special enumeration shall be made and no such special licenses shall be granted in towns having more than five thousand permanent residents as ascertained by the last preceding State or national census."

Point of order.

Pending the amendment, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Moriarty of Worcester raised the point of order that the bill was improperly in the orders of the day, for the reason that it involved an expenditure of public money, and should have been referred to the committee on Finance. The chair declared the point of order well taken, stating that the bill provided for the levying of a tax, the amount to be paid into the State treasury and then to be paid therefrom to defray certain expenses. The bill was accordingly referred to the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that persons in order to be eligible as members of a school committee or a school board must be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen, was further considered.

Mr. Wood of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to exclude from school committees and school boards persons who are not voters" (House No. 106).

After debate the bill was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was read a third time and considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, striking out at the end of section two the words "and may establish fountains and hydrants. relocate or discontinue the same; may regulate the use of such water and fix and collect rates to be paid for the use of the same;" also by striking out in section 9, line 15, the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "eight;" also by striking out in line 29 of the same section the word "eleven" and inserting in place thereof the word "ten," which amendments were severally adopted.

After debate the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 69 to 68. Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Resolve in favor of William H. Robinson was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

The Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company (House, No. 117) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, at quarter-past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

Report of the
Charles River
Improvement
Commission.

The first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission was received and was referred to the joint special committee on Public Reservations, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Report of the
General Super-
intendent of
Prisons, —
prison labor.

The fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Prisons, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Fall of Ipswich, petitions of the town officers of Hamilton and of the town officers of Ipswich; by Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of the town officers of Harwich; by Mr. Simonds of Barre, petition of the town officers of Petersham; and by Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, petition of the selectmen of North Reading, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Condition of
laborers.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petitions of F. J. Taylor and others, of George D. Ayers, Martha Moore Avery and others, and of the H. S. George Temperance Union of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, petition of John Welch and 68 others of Methuen; by Mr. Halley of Lawrence, petitions of F. N. Abbott, W. F. Burns, J. T. Mullaney and W. L. Seaver and 265 others, and of Charles E. Howarth, J. M. Greenwood, J. J. Hill and 540 others; by Mr. Cannon of Lawrence, petitions of E. J. Holley, John Sullivan, John A. Roberts and 272 others; by Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, petitions of James W. Cross, James Smith, T. E. Barber and 432 others, and of Edward F. O. Sullivan, John H. Taylor, J. Frank James and 340 others; and by Mr. Hart of Lawrence, petitions of William Waters, James Moore, W. J. McDonnell and 1,068 others, and of W. A. Whitney, Lewis G. Holt, W. F. Sherman and 333 others, citizens of Lawrence, — severally, in aid of the petition of C. W. Morse and others for an act of incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Lowell,
Lawrence and
Haverhill
Street Railway
Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, petition of Frank A. Crane and others; by Mr. Brewer of Springfield, petition of S. Donnelly and others; and by Mr. Lyford of Springfield, petition of Patrick Hard and others, — severally, for a division of the town of Longmeadow.

Division of
Longmeadow.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, petition of George E. Phillips and others in aid of the orders relative to the counterfeiting of labels, stamps and trade marks. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Counterfeiting
of labels,
stamps and
trade marks.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, of C. H. Kohlrausch, Jr., for legislation exempting the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kohlrausch, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Thomas Talbot
Memorial Hall
in Billerica, —
exemption from
taxation.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, of H. Eugene Weston and others that the Bridgewater Water Company be granted permission to extend its pipes into West Bridgewater, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within

Town of West
Bridgewater, —
Bridgewater
Water Com-
pany.

the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Howard, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Palmer, —

Governor to be notified of election and qualification of Alonzo H. Evans as councillor.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Mr. Alonzo H. Evans has been elected and qualified as a Councillor, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dolan of Boston : —

Minors, — malicious or mischievous acts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the power of police officers and constables to make arrests without warrant in case of trivial offences committed by minors, or of enacting such other legislation as shall better protect the public from the malicious or mischievous acts of minors, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Dolan, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Health college.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others that a health college may be chartered and endowed by the State ; and

Cape Cod Ship Canal.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

James Burke.

The House Resolve in favor of James Burke came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, adding at the end thereof the words “ *Provided*, that in the event of the decease of said Burke within said term of five years this annuity shall cease,” in which amend-

ment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 27), referred by the House to the committee on Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the reference. Mr. Hoar of Boston moved that the House insist and ask for a committee of conference. Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved that the House recede from its reference. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, the motion that the House recede prevailed by a vote of 90 to 68. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the resolutions, in concurrence, Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to amend by adding the following: “*Resolved*, That the committee who are instructed to go to Congress shall go there simply for the purpose of stating the position of Massachusetts in regard to the facts of law, and that these resolutions were adopted without hearing the voice of the people of Massachusetts.”

Massachusetts
fisheries.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the amendment was rejected, and the resolutions were adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 111 to 52.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of H. S. Sheldon and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petition of John M. Goodhue that Congress be memorialized and requested that he be restored to the army and placed on the retired list. To the committee on Federal Relations, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

John M.
Goodhue.

Petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman
suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to such legislation as will

Registration of
labels, stamps
and trade
marks.

tend to the better protection of skilled labor, and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands or devices, covering the product of such labor of associations or unions of workingmen or women, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Trap's Creek
Fishing
Company.

By Mr. Lougee of Salem, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of the members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to build a channel across a flat which is dry at ebb tide. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lougee, and sent up for concurrence.

Husband and
wife, — private
conversations.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation repealing or altering the provisions of the first clause of section 18 of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the admission of evidence of private conversations between husband and wife.

Commission of
medical science.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission of medical science.

Gift of school
books to pupils
of public
schools.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns to allow pupils on leaving or graduating from the public schools to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time.

Willimansett
Aqueduct
Company.

By Mr. Hoar of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Shawmut
Congregational
Society of
Boston.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its meeting house. (House, No. 133.)

Rate of taxation
in towns.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to limit the rate of taxation in towns. (House, No. 130.) (Mr. Crosman of Athol, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Soule of Middleborough, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham. (House, No. 131.)

By Mr. Gilbride of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company. (House, No. 132.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled "An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court."

By Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, in part, a Resolve in favor of the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the same committee, on the report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, in part, a Resolve in favor of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the classes of persons liable to involuntary insolvency proceedings, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution to be voted for at the following election. After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

**Methuen Water
Company.**

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. On further motion of Mr. Bennett, the clerk was instructed to retain the papers until the pending motion to reconsider was disposed of.

**Railroads, —
rates of fare.**

On motions of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

**Town of
Swampscott, —
fire department.**

On motions of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

**Roxbury Trust
Company.**

On motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company (House, No. 126) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and after debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

**School com-
mittees.**

On motion of Mr. Roe of Worcester, the Bill to exclude from school committees and school boards persons who are not voters (House, No. 106) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and after debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardiner, the Bill to supply the city of Fitchburg with pure water (House, No. 111) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended on further motion of Mr. Howe, by striking out, in section 9, line 6, the word "in," and inserting in place thereof the words "three times the amount of damages assessed therefor, to be recovered in an," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

City of Fitchburg, — water supply.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Provincetown to appropriate money to water its streets ;

Bills enacted.

Placing the water of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission ;

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank ; and

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other States ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Joanna L. Cox ; and

Resolves passed.

In favor of the town of Oxford ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ; and

Providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to enable the city of Boston to make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the City Hospital ;

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Margaret Weise for State aid ;

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to require clergymen to make returns to town and city clerks and registrars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that for the purpose of taxation or voting or being voted for for any office under the Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ; and

On the petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan (House, No. 122) ;

To amend chapter 63 of the Acts of the year 1870, and chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1878, relating to the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, between the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury (House, No. 125) ; and

To amend an act relating to the sinking funds and the funded debt of the city of Somerville (House, No. 127) ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace (House, No. 124) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To supply the town of Orange with water (House, No. 108) ;

To provide and define the punishment for perjury (House, No. 109) ; and

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway (House, No. 110) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John Ord, Jr. (House, No. 112) ;

In favor of George H. Gould (House, No. 113) ;

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School (House, No. 114) ; and

In favor of Samuel H. Damon (House, No. 116) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester (Senate, No. 32) ; and

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 26) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company (House, No. 117) was, on motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth, between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (House, No. 100), was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 3, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to remove the penalty for pursuing wild fowl with a sailboat (House, No. 105) was, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 3, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Millis Water Company (House, No. 102) was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, at half-past four o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes, Towns
and Counties.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Tucker of New Bedford introduced a Resolve relating to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties. Read and referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Expenses of
actions in Com-
monwealth
cases.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, a Bill concerning the expenses of actions in Commonwealth cases. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, the bill was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Abolishment of
days of grace.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, petitions of John H. Sanderson and others of Greenfield, of C. J. Holmes, E. W. Borden and others of Fall River, of the presidents of the Fitchburg National Bank, the Rollstone National Bank, the Safety Fund National Bank and others of Fitchburg, of William Arthur Gallup and others of North Adams, of the cashiers of the National Exchange Bank, the Merchants National Bank and the Shawmut National Bank and others of Boston, of Stephen Salisbury, president of the Worcester National Bank, the president of the State Mutual Life Assurance Company and others of Worcester, — severally, in aid of the order relative to abolishing days of grace.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Smith of Andover, petition of the town officers of the town of North Andover; by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of the town officers of Truro; and by Mr. Lawrence of Cohasset, petition of the town officers and other citizens of Cohasset, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, petitions of Peter E. Harrington and others, B. J. Hubbennett and others and Arthur Burns and others, — severally, that 54 hours may constitute a week's work for women and children employed in manufacturing and mercantile establishments.

Hours of labor of women and children.

By the same gentleman, petition of Matthew Hart and others that eight hours may constitute a day's work for State, county, city or town employees, with accompanying resolutions of a mass meeting of citizens of New Bedford relative to the condition of laborers.

Hours of labor of State, county, city or town employees, — condition of laborers.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, petitions of Charles E. Hall & Co. and others of Boston, and of McGrath Brothers and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Marble and Granite Dealers' Association for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set in a cemetery.

Lien on sculpture and monumental work when set in cemeteries.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

A petition presented by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, of W. P. Getchell and others for the passage of an accompanying Bill entitled "An Act giving employees of railroads a right to vote at any polling place within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. The petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court. Subsequently, at the request of Mr. Atwood, unanimous consent was given that the petition should be considered as not having been acted upon, and on motion of the same gentleman the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Railroad employees, — voting.

Chelsea bridge.

A petition presented by Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, of the mayor of Chelsea for such legislation as shall promote the safety and expedition of public travel over Chelsea bridge, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Merritt, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Fire district
No. 1 of North
Attleborough.

A petition presented by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough, for an amendment of chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1883, by striking out the last clause of section 12 relating to the raising of money by taxation for enlarging or extending the water works of said district, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Horton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Dissolution
of certain
corporations.

To dissolve certain corporations (Senate, No. 37) (reported on so much of the report of the Attorney General as relates to the failure of corporations to make tax returns) ; and

Truants.

Relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools (Senate, No. 46) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Educational
and religious
associations.

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same (Senate, No. 34) ; and

Superior court,
— decisions of
judges.

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes requiring presiding judges of the superior court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial (Senate, No. 36) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, from the committee on **Maplewood Cemetery Association.**
Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Casey of Boston, from the committee on **Vaccination.**
Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws. (Messrs. Chance of Boston and Friend of Gloucester, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the committee on the **Charitable corporations, — voting by proxy.**
Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy. (House, No. 134.)

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, from the committee on **Norfolk county, — court house at Dedham.**
County Estimates, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham, Norfolk County. (House, No. 136.)

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on **Polls and estates.**
Taxation, on the report of the Tax Commissioner submitting a triennial apportionment of State and county taxes, a Bill to establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth. (House, No. 137.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on **Exchange of certain acts and resolves.**
Finance, that the Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain acts and resolves ought to pass. (House, No. 135.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill, the report of the committee on the **Intoxicating liquors, — vote on the question of granting licenses.**
Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses shall hereafter be taken every third year instead of annually, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

• *Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.*

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy moth, and certain other expenses authorized the present year ; and

To authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law, for the completion of a new city hall building (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of James Burke (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. S. Farris and others for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth ;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission of medical science ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns to allow pupils on leaving or graduating from the public schools to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others that a health college may be chartered and endowed by the State ; and

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or altering the provisions of the first clause of section 18 of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to the admission of evidence of private conversations between husband and wife, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

Bills :

To except the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of the law allowing the taking of oysters at certain seasons without a permit (House, No. 121) ;

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate (House, No. 123) ;

Fixing the times and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 128) ;

For the protection of horses mutilated by docking (House, No. 129) ;

To raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas (Senate, No. 29) ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) ;

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, 132) ; and

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its meeting-house (House, No. 133) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company (House, No. 126) ; and

To incorporate the Veranus Land Company (House, No. 117) ;

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to limit the rate of taxation in towns (House, No. 130) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was ordered to a third reading, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway, in said city (House, No. 107) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan (House, No. 122) ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace (House, No. 124) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 63 of the Acts of the year 1870, and chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1878, relating to the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, between the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury (House, No. 125), was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read " Bill defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, and for damages resulting from defects therein ; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge."

The Bill to amend an act relating to the sinking funds and the funded debt of the city of Somerville (House, No. 127) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read " Bill to enable the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law."

The Bill to incorporate the Millis Water Company (House No. 102), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on engrossment. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out, in the last line of section 5, the word " and " and inserting in place thereof the words " individual or corporation and said." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the packing and branding of nails (House, No. 103) was read a third time and considered. Mr. Bessom of Lynn moved to amend section 6 by striking out the words " its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words " the first day of July in the year

1892." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the Commonwealth, was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, the vote whereby the report was postponed was re-considered, and the question recurring on the motion to postpone, it was lost. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Clayton moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco " (House, No. 119). After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, at fourteen minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Abstract of
Certificates of
Corporations.

The Abstract of the Certificates of Corporations was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Savings banks,
— monthly
interest on
deposits.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of C. W. Ranlett and others in aid of the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, petition of the town officers of Upton; and by Mr. Whitcomb of Boxborough, petition of the town officers of Stowe, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of William Whiting and others for the repeal of the law limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Columbia Loan
and Trust Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wood of Boston, of J. Henry Stevenson and others for the incorporation of the Columbia Loan and Trust Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the

provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wood, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of adding to the House rules a new rule substantially as follows: "No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government and members of the press shall be admitted during the half hour preceding or during the half hour succeeding the session of the House to the cloak room, reading room or clerk's room of the House, or to the passages connecting said rooms, unless invited by the Speaker or Clerk, or introduced by a member in person at the time of such admission."

House rule, —
House cloak
room, reading
room and
clerk's room.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to employ a stenographer in connection with its hearings upon the subject of prohibiting seining in Buzzard's Bay.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game, — ste-
nographer.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the Common Council, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Fall
River, — salaries
to common
councillmen.

Bills:

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association (Senate, No. 38);

Cambridge Fire-
men's Relief
Association.

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 39); and

Worcester
Polytechnic
Institute.

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 40);

Newburyport
Howard Benevo-
lent Society.

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sweating system.

Resolutions relative to the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured (Senate, No. 41) (reported on an order), adopted by the Senate, were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Exemptions from civil service rules.

A Bill to define exemptions from the civil service rules (Senate, No. 35), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Notice was received that the following House bills, orders and petitions had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule : —

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

Bill (on leave) to repeal chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled "An Act for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," and to authorize certain persons to take mackerel and menhaden with nets and seines ; and

Taxation of portable mills.

Bill (on leave) to provide for the taxation of portable mills.

Salary of the justice of the police court of Lee.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee ; and

Id.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee, and also for providing a clerk for said court.

Storage of petroleum products.

Petition of the mayor of Somerville for legislation prohibiting the storage of petroleum products within the limits of cities except subject to regulations of the city council ; and

G. A. R., — department headquarters in the new State House.

Petition of a committee of the G. A. R., department of Massachusetts, that rooms may be set apart in the new State House extension to be used by the G. A. R. as department headquarters.

Reports of Committees.

Compensation of members of the State Dairy Bureau.

By Mr. Smith of Hampden, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau.

Augustus Barnes.

By Mr. Brigham of Hudson, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Augustus Barnes.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of the extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth. Report of State Board of Health, — gypsy moth.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Vaccination.

On motion of Mr. Casey of Boston, the Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, March 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Cigarettes.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

To allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (House, No. 134) ;

To authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham, Norfolk County (House, No. 136) ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth (House, No. 137) ; and

To dissolve certain corporations (Senate, No. 37) ; and the

Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain acts and resolves (House, No. 135) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company (House, No. 126) ;

To incorporate the Veranus Land Company (House, No. 117) ;

To except the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of the law allowing the taking of oysters at certain seasons without a permit (House, No. 121) ;

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate (House, No. 123) ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) ;

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) ; and

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its meeting-house (House, No. 133) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House ordered to a third reading the Bill to limit the rate of taxation in towns (House, No. 130) was considered. On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the rule limiting debate on motions to reconsider was suspended. After debate the motion to reconsider prevailed, and the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was refused a third reading.

The Bill fixing the times and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 128) was read a third time and considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, striking out in lines 1 and 2 of section 1 the words "in each year;" also by striking out in line 3 of the same section the word "the" before the word "year," and inserting in place thereof the word "each."

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend in section 2, line 3, by striking out the words "as is inconsistent herewith" and inserting in place thereof the words "as relates to the holding of said court on every Monday in the year except the first, second and fourth Mondays of August."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill for the protection of horses mutilated by docking (House, No. 129) was read a third time and considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 2, which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Barrett of Concord moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "Section 2. Any owner, driver or person having the charge or custody of any horse so mutilated after five years from the date of the passage of this act shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, and not less than ten dollars for each offence." The amendment was rejected by a vote of 41 to 64.

Mr. Sprague of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by striking out the words "been mutilated by docking," and inserting in place thereof the words "a short tail;" also, in line 9, by inserting after the word "any" the words "short tailed;" also, in line 13, by inserting after the word "such" the words "short tailed;" also, in the title, by striking out the words "mutilated by docking," and inserting in place thereof the words "having short tails," which amendments were severally adopted. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the vote whereby the amendments moved by Mr. Sprague were adopted was reconsidered, and the question recurring on their adoption they were rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, at twelve minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report Received.*Report of the
Controller of
County Ac-
counts.

The fifth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

*Petitions Presented.*Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

A petition, presented by Mr. Sargent of Leicester, of the town officers of Spencer for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, was referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Somer-
ville, — streets.

A petition, presented by Mr. Perkins of Somerville, of the mayor of Somerville that said city may be authorized to raise not exceeding \$100,000 in excess of the limit fixed by law, to cover the cost of paving on Somerville and Webster avenues, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Perkins, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities; and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Horse racing.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wier of Lowell, of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. Mr. Wier moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 89 to 31, four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirm-

ative, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court. Mr. Wier moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to suspend the rule, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Paper from the Senate.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House order and petition had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the power of police officers and constables to make arrests without warrant in case of trivial offences committed by minors, or of enacting such other legislation as shall better protect the public from the malicious or mischievous acts of minors.

Petition of H. Eugene Weston and others that the Bridgewater Water Company be granted permission to extend its pipes into West Bridgewater.

Minors, —
malicious or
mischievous
acts.

Town of West
Bridgewater, —
Bridgewater
Water Com-
pany.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. George of Groveland, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891 that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor, in the city of Boston, in more than one municipal year.

By Mr. Ackley of Fitchburg, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

By Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, from the same committee, *Id.* inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers, and holders of stock may be adequately protected.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— municipal
lighting.

Returns of gas
corporations.

Supreme judicial court, —
transfer of cases.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill authorizing the transfer of cases in the supreme judicial court. (House, No. 139.)

Fitchburg Street Railway Company, —
Leominster Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Norton of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation. (House, No. 140.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court ought to pass. (House, No. 141.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the following orders were severally taken from the table and were adopted, in concurrence : —

Consolidation of gas and electric light corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchise of such corporations.

Dorchester Gas Light Company.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures inquire and report upon the expediency of re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled “An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company,” and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same or contiguous territories; subject, however, in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Resolve in favor of William H. Robinson was taken from the table and recommitted to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham, which motion was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester.

Mr. Burke further moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company, which motion was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Moriarty.

On further motion of Mr. Moriarty, the clerk was instructed to retain the papers until the motions to reconsider had been disposed of.

*Bills Enacted.***Engrossed bills :**

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891 ;

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District No. 1 in the town of South Hadley ;

Relating to the use of check-lists in town meetings ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women and for expenses in connection therewith ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester ; and

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton ; (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Bill relating to the issuing of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (which originated in the House) was put upon its final

passage. Under a suspension of the rule, Mr. Blodgett of Templeton moved an amendment, which was rejected. Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater moved to strike out the enacting clause of the bill, which motion, after debate, was lost, and the bill was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the common council, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association (Senate, No. 38) ;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 39) ; and

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 40) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolutions relative to the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured (Senate, No. 41) were adopted, in concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled that legislation to prevent the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places, and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured, is wise and expedient, and that the General Court respectfully urges upon the Congress of the United States such action as will best accomplish this result.

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the presiding officers of both houses of Congress and to senators and representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

Bills :

To allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (House, No. 134) ;

To authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham, Norfolk County (House, No. 136) ; and

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth (House, No. 137) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to dissolve certain corporations (Senate, No. 37) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation against walking on railroad tracks, was further considered. Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to prevent accidents to trespassers on railroad tracks " (House, No. 118). After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 39 to 101, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was considered, and after debate, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston.

The Bill to raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas (Senate, No. 29) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, inserting in section 1, line 2, after the word " statutes," the words " as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty of the Acts of the year 1886, and chapter two hundred and fifty-two of the Acts of the year 1890 ; " also by striking out, in section 1, line 9, the word " four," and inserting in place thereof the word " six ; " also by striking out in section 1, lines 25 and 26, the words " or more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain acts and resolves (House, No. 135) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read "Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts acts and resolves."

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, at five minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 2, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Barstow of Norwell, petition of the town officers and others of Norwell for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petition of J. F. Sullivan and others of Holyoke for the repeal of the act limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, petitions of S. D. Ashley of Millbury and others, of Edward T. Curnick of Webster and others, of Charles F. Rice of Leominster and others, and of Seth C. Carey of Gardner and others ; and by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, petitions of Thomas Scully and others and Charles Olmstead and others of Cambridge, of Nathaniel B. Fiske of Hudson and others, of W. Walter Jubb of Fall River and others, of J. B. Smith of Lynn and others, of Albert B. Coats of Beverly and others, of W. Wilberforce Newton of Pittsfield and others, of M. F. Johnson of Middleborough and others, of A. C. Peck of Shelburne and others, of W. S. Woolworth of Belcher-town and others, of George H. Hosmer of Neponset and others, of C. W. Brackett of Natick and others, and of Louis A. Pope of Newburyport and others, — severally, that no place shall be licensed for the sale of liquor within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship.

Intoxicating liquors, — houses of religious worship.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Nantucket
Island,—quail.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of John M. Winslow and others that the killing of quail may be prohibited on Nantucket Island for the term of two years, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gardner, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Natick.

A petition, presented by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of the town of Natick that said town may be reimbursed the sum of \$32.04 on account of the board of Sarah E. Bowker at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Rideout, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad Com-
pany.

A petition, presented by Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company for legislation confirming the organization of the company and validating the acts of its officers, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Kilduff, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Orders.

Constitutional
amendment,—
property quali-
fication for the
office of Gov-
ernor.

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead,—

Ordered, That the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett,—

Intoxicating
liquors,—vote
on the question
of granting
licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so that in every city where a majority of

the inhabitants vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, such licenses shall only be granted in those wards in which a majority of "yes" votes are cast upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city?" —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. Mr. Bennett moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended. After debate the motion prevailed, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester: —

Ordered, That the joint special committee appointed by the last Legislature to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects, — be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 11.

Reports of the joint special committees appointed by the last Legislature to sit during the recess.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Legal residence of voters.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring all commissions, boards and officials who regularly report to the General Court to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January, annually, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boards and commissions, — annual reports.

Bills :

City of Worcester, — water loan.

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 42) ; and

Town of Brookline, — public ways.

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline (Senate, No. 44) ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ; and

Hours of labor of women and minors.

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing (Senate, No. 45) (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Railroad employees, — voting.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of W. P. Getchell and others for the passage of a bill entitled “ An Act giving employees of railroads a right to vote at any polling place within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,” had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Petitions of Grove Gaylord and others, and of the town officers of the town of Mount Washington, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the commission appointed to investigate manual training and industrial education.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to extending the time for the final report of the commission appointed to investigate existing systems of manual training and industrial education, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Education. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Boards of police in cities.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities, and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimac river. Merrimac River,
— fisheries.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital. Boston Emer-
gency Hospital.

By Mr. Larkin of Tolland, from the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to compelling cities of 50,000 inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months. Free warm
baths for the
poor.

By Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the building or use of barns, sheds or other buildings commonly used by cattle or other domestic animals in the cities of the Commonwealth within 150 feet of any dwelling-house. Erection of
barns near
dwelling-
houses.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on Rules, on an order, reported recommending the adoption of a new House rule to be numbered Rule 104, as follows: "Rule 104. No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government, members of the press, the postmaster of the House and the telegraph operator, shall be admitted during the session of the House, or during the half hour preceding or succeeding the session, to the cloak room, reading room or clerk's room of the House, or to the passages connecting said rooms, unless invited by the Speaker or clerk or introduced by a member in person at the time of such admission." House rule,—
admission to
cloak room,
reading room
and clerk's
room.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon. (House, No. 146.) Married women,
— separate
estate.

Tremont
Advent-
Christian Camp-
meeting
Association.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association. (House, No. 147.)

Worcester
District
Methodist
Episcopal
Church Camp-
meeting
Association.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association." (House, No. 148.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Supreme
judicial court, —
reporter of
decisions.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled "An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court," ought to pass. (House, No. 144.)

Publication and
posting of
Constitutional
amendments.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Bill providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ought to pass. (House, No. 145.)

State Normal
School at
Worcester.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ought to pass. (House, No. 142.)

Augustus
Barnes.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Augustus Barnes ought to pass. (House, No. 143.)

Town of
Manchester.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester ought to pass. (House, No. 149.)

Report of the
State Board of
Agriculture, —
gypsy moth.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ought to pass. (House, No. 150.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Salary of the
chief clerk in
the office of the
State Board of
Agriculture.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Public Service, on petitions, a Bill to establish the salary of the chief clerk in the office of the State Board of Agriculture. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Morse of Holden, the eighth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts (House, No. 61) was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Rules.

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Swampscott, —
fire department.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted.

Methuen Water
Company.

Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill (Mr. Tucker of New Bedford in the chair), Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following:—

“ *Section 9.* The said town of Methuen shall have the right, at any time during the continuance of the charter hereby granted, to purchase or take the corporate property, and all the water rights and privileges of said corporation, at a price which may be mutually agreed upon between said corporation and the said town. In case said corporation and said town are unable to agree, then the compensation to be paid shall be determined by three commissioners, to be appointed by the supreme judicial court upon application of either party and notice to the other, whose award, when accepted by said court, shall be binding upon all parties. Such compensation shall include the value of the corporate property of such corporation, its water rights and privileges, together with such sum, if any, as may be necessary to make the net profits upon the stock of said corporation equal to simple interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the time when such

stock was actually issued and paid for, but shall not include any compensation for any franchise given by this act, or any privileges given without compensation to said corporation by the town of Methuen. If said corporation shall have issued bonds under the provision of section six and the mortgage shall not have been foreclosed, and the compensation to be paid shall be determined by commissioners as aforesaid, such commissioners shall find the value of such corporate property, water rights and privileges as if the same were unencumbered, and the mortgagees shall be entitled to be heard before such commissioners as to such value; and if the value so found shall exceed the amount of such mortgage debt, said town shall acquire such property, water rights and privileges by paying said corporation such excess, and shall assume said mortgage debt as part of the water loan authorized by section eleven; but if the value so found shall be less than the amount of such mortgage debt, then said town shall acquire such property, water rights and privileges of said corporation, and also the interest of said mortgagees, by paying said mortgagees the amount of the value so found, and such mortgage shall thereby be discharged; and said town shall thereupon hold and possess the franchise and all said corporate property, water rights and privileges of said corporation, unencumbered and discharged from any trust. The right to purchase as aforesaid is granted on condition that the same be authorized by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town present and voting thereon at a meeting called for that purpose."

Also in section 10, line 2, by striking out the words "franchise and;" also in section 14, line 2, by striking out the words "franchise and."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day.

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the engross-

ment of the bill, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day.

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

On motions of Mr. Hoar of Boston, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891 that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor, in the city of Boston, in more than one municipal year, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— municipal
lighting.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the reports of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ; and

Returns of gas
companies.

On an order relative to requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers, and holders of stock may be adequately protected ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Bills enacted and a Resolve passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the conditions under which dams may be erected across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston ;

Relating to insurance risks of mutual boiler insurance companies ;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs ; and

Relating to the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, county commissioner of the county of Berkshire ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Authorizing the transfer of cases in the supreme judicial court (House, No. 139) ;

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation (House, No. 140) ; and

Relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools (Senate, No. 46) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

• Bills :

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association (Senate, No. 38) ;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 39) ; and

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 40) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th joint rule on the petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for, was considered, and after debate was adopted. The question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the peti-

tion was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

The Bill to exclude from school committees and school boards persons who are not voters (House, No. 106) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Wood of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting after the word "voters" the words "for school committee." After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the amendment was adopted, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 74 to 93.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court (House, No. 141) was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, at four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Savings banks,
—monthly
interest on
deposits.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, petition of William Whiting and others in aid of the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of Charles D. W. Marcy and others of Dorchester that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman
suffrage.

By the same gentleman, petition of Charles D. W. Marcy and others of Dorchester for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Lord's Day, —
running of cars
and boats.

By Mr. Fall of Ipswich, petition of William P. Alcott and others of Ipswich and vicinity; by Mr. Perkins of Boston, petitions of Samuel C. Wilkins and others, of B. F. Dewing and others of Boston and vicinity, of Wolcott Fay and others of Boston, and of Joseph Cook and other members of the Congregational Club of Boston; by Mr. Chester of Newton, petition of Robert R. Bishop and others of Newton Centre; by Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of D. B. Richmond and 56 others of Waltham; by Mr. Dennis of Salem, petition of John F. Pitman and 192 others of Salem; by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, petition of Walter Barton and others

of Attleborough; by Mr. Smith of Gloucester, petition of J. R. Estabrook and 62 others of Gloucester; by Mr. Loud of Chelsea, petitions of Louis Albert Banks and others of South Boston, and of Francis W. Bakeman and others of Chelsea; by Mr. Baker of Boston, petitions of John E. Tuttle and others of Jamaica Plain, and of R. B. Grover and others of Roslindale; by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, petitions of Susan S. Fessenden and other officers and members of the Mass. W. C. T. U., and of George M. McCoy and others of the Boston Baptist Social Union; by Mr. Howard of Newton, petitions of Henry J. Patrick and others of West Newton, and of George E. Fuller and others of Boston; by Mr. Jenks of Shelburne, petition of Henry Hyde and others of Greenfield; by Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of William E. Woodworth and 124 others of Fall River; by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petition of Michael Burnham and others of Springfield; by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, petition of Samuel B. Cooper and 56 others of Stoughton; by Mr. Green of Belchertown, petition of F. L. Goodspeed and 67 others of Amherst; by Mr. Wier of Lowell, petition of George Court and 16 other clergymen of Lowell; by Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of W. R. Cooke and 111 others; by Mr. Sargent of Leicester, petition of Erastus Blakeslee and others of Spencer; and by Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, petition of Willis D. Leland and others of Weymouth, — severally, for legislation limiting the running of cars and boats on the Lord's Day.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Oakes of Boston, of Sarah J. Brown. William H. Oakes that Sarah J. Brown may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Oakes, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of David S. Beetle. David S. Beetle that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th

joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Justices of the
peace,— fees.

A petition, presented by Mr. Harris of Boston, of Charles C. Pitts that the fee of a justice of the peace for administering an oath and certifying the same under his official seal may be fixed at one dollar, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Harris, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Adjournment
over Monday,
March 7.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday of this week it be to meet on the following Tuesday at two o'clock P.M.

The following order, offered by Mr. Chance of Boston : —

Bounty for
killing seals.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 287 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the bounty for killing seals, by striking out in the eighth line the word “one” and inserting in place thereof the word “two,” so that the bounty for killing seals shall be two dollars, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Reports of the
joint special
committees
appointed by
the last Legisla-
ture to sit
during the
recess.

Ordered, That the joint special committee appointed to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter ; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating and abolishing the various State commissions ; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording

and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects; be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 11.

Mr. Presko of Boston moved to amend in the last line, by striking out the words "March 11" and inserting in place thereof the words "March 21." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton (Senate, No. 43) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Newton,
—grade
crossings.

The annual report of the State Board of Health, relative to prosecutions and expenses in connection with the inspection of food and drugs, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

State Board of
Health,—
inspection of
food and drugs.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Marlborough that said city may be authorized to acquire an additional water supply and issue bonds, notes or securities to defray the expense thereof, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

City of
Marlborough,—
water supply.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when in a civil case in a district, police or municipal court judgment is rendered for the plaintiff by default or without any evidence being put in by the defendant and an appeal is taken to the superior court, the decision and finding of the judge or justice of the district, police or municipal court shall be *prima facie* evidence in the superior court of the facts so found or of the facts involved in such decision.

Judgments of
inferior courts
to be *prima*
facie evidence
of facts before
superior courts.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to confer original jurisdiction, exclusive or concurrent,

Married women,
—petitions for
custody of
minor children.

of the petitions therein named upon supreme courts or upon district, municipal or police courts within their several districts.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so that it may be lawful to take, catch and sell, or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length (and sundry petitions in aid of the same). [Messrs. Mayhew of Tisbury and Allen of Dartmouth, of the House, dissenting.]

Electricity.

By Mr. Smith of Andover, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation reducing and regulating the price of electricity.

Inspection of gas and gas appliances.

By Mr. Coburn of Lowell, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or output of gas.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Beacon Trust Company.

By Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Beacon Trust Company. (House, No. 153.)

East Boston Company.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the East Boston Company in the city of Boston. (House, No. 155.)

Waltham Hospital.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate. (House, No. 154.)

Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce the amount of its capital stock. (House, No. 156.)

Merrimac river, — Rock's Bridge.

By Mr. Newell of West Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rock's Bridge and for repairs on said bridge. (House, No. 152.) [Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Wood of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to exclude from school committees and school boards persons who are not voters (House, No. 106). After debate the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 41 to 80.

Discharged from the Orders.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston being in the chair, on motion of Mr. Burke of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof a new section, as modified by that gentleman, dividing said section into two sections, to be numbered sections 9 and 10, was adopted as follows:—

Section 9. The said town of Methuen shall have the right, at any time during the continuance of the charter hereby granted, to purchase or take the corporate property, and all the water rights and privileges of said corporation, at a price which may be mutually agreed upon between said corporation and the said town. In case said corporation and said town are unable to agree, then the compensation to be paid shall be determined by three commissioners, to be appointed by the supreme judicial court, upon application of either party and notice to the other, whose award, when accepted by said court, shall be binding upon all parties. Such compensation shall include the value of the corporate property of such corporation, its water rights and privileges, together with such sum, if any, as may be necessary to make the net profits upon the stock of said corporation equal to simple interest at the rate of six per centum per annum from the time when such stock was actually issued and paid for, but shall not include any compensation for any franchise given by this act, or any privileges given without compensation to said corporation by the town of Methuen.

Section 10. If said corporation shall have issued bonds under the provision of section 6 and the mortgage

shall not have been foreclosed, and the compensation to be paid shall be determined by commissioners as aforesaid, such commissioners shall find the value of such corporate property, water rights and privileges, as if the same were unencumbered, and the mortgagees shall be entitled to be heard before such commissioners as to such value; and if the value so found shall exceed the amount of such mortgage debt, said town shall acquire such property, water rights and privileges by paying said corporation such excess, and shall assume said mortgage debt as part of the water loan authorized by section eleven; but if the value so found shall be less than the amount of such mortgage debt, then said town shall acquire such property, water rights and privileges of said corporation, and also the interest of said mortgagees, by paying said mortgagees the amount of the value so found, and such mortgage shall thereby be discharged; and said town shall thereupon hold and possess the franchise and all said corporate property, water rights and privileges of said corporation unencumbered and discharged from any trust. The right to purchase as aforesaid is granted on condition that the same be authorized by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town present and voting thereon at a meeting called for that purpose.

The remaining pending amendments moved by Mr. Barrett were also adopted.

Pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, as amended, by unanimous consent Mr. Parker of Methuen moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to give public notice and a hearing. The motion was adopted, and the bill was recommitted with instructions and sent up for concurrence.

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill the same gentleman moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Water Supply.

Point of order.

Pending this motion, Mr. Bennett of Everett raised the point of order that the bill was not properly before the House, for the reason that the bill was passed to be engrossed on Monday, February 29th, and that a motion to reconsider its engrossment was made and entertained

on Tuesday, after the orders of the day had been taken up, in violation of House Rule No. 69, which provides that if the motion to reconsider is moved on the succeeding day it shall be moved before the orders of the day are taken up.

The Chair (Mr. Olmstead of Boston) ruled that the point of order was not well taken, for the reasons that the matter had already been passed upon by a gentleman who previously occupied the chair, and further, that owing to the intervention and transaction of new business it was too late to raise the point of order.

Mr. Bennett appealed from the decision of the chair, and the appeal was seconded by Mr. Woodsum of Braintree. Subsequently, after debate, there being no objection, the appeal was withdrawn by Mr. Bennett.

The motion to recommit prevailed, and the bill was accordingly recommitted.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, the same gentlemen moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Water Supply.

Willimansett
Water
Company.

Pending this motion, Mr. Bennett of Everett raised the point of order that the bill was not properly before the House, for the reason that the bill was passed to be engrossed on Monday, February 29, and that a motion to reconsider its engrossment was made and entertained on Tuesday, after the orders of the day had been taken up, in violation of House Rule No. 69, which provides that if the motion to reconsider is moved on the succeeding day it shall be moved before the orders of the day are taken up.

Point of order.

The Chair (Mr. Olmstead of Boston) ruled that the point of order was not well taken, for the reasons, as stated above, that the matter had already been passed upon by a gentleman who previously occupied the chair, and further, that owing to the intervention and transaction of new business it was too late to raise the point of order.

The motion to recommit prevailed, and the bill was accordingly recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (House, No. 100)

Sale of trout
artificially
propagated.

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Railroads, —
500-mile tickets
at mileage rates.

On motions of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Waltham to make additional loans for sewers and drains ; and

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough to increase its water supply ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities, and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimac river ;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to compelling cities of 50,000 inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the building or use of barns, sheds or other buildings commonly used by

cattle or other domestic animals, in the cities of the Commonwealth within 150 feet of any dwelling-house ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring all commissions, boards and officials who regularly report to the General Court to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January, annually, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled “ An Act to provide for the continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court ” (House, No. 144) ;

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments (House, No. 145) ;

To give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and the proceedings thereon (House, No. 146) ;

To incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association (House, No. 147) ;

To amend “ An Act to incorporate the trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association ” (House, No. 148) ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 42) ; and

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline (Senate, No. 44) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester (House, No. 142) ;

In favor of Augustus Barnes (House, No. 143) ;

In favor of the town of Manchester (House, No. 149) ;
and

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (House, No. 150) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the transfer of cases in the supreme judicial court (House, No. 139) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools (Senate, No. 46) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to remove the penalty for pursuing wild fowl with a sailboat (House, No. 105) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Sprague of Boston moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : " Section 2. Whoever pursues any wild fowl with or by aid of a boat propelled by steam or by naphtha, or by aid of a boat or vessel propelled by any mechanical means other than sails, oars or paddles, shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars."

After debate, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 65 to 1. Mr. Burke of Quincy moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, which motion was lost. The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Rules, recommending the adoption of a new House rule to be numbered Rule 104, as follows : " Rule 104. No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government, members of the press, the postmaster of the House and the telegraph operator, shall be admitted during the session of the House or during the half hour preceding or succeeding the session, to the cloak room, reading room or clerk's room of the House, or to the passages connecting said rooms, unless invited by the speaker or clerk [A], or introduced by a member in person at the time of such admission," was considered.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend at " A " by striking out the word " clerk," and inserting in place thereof the word " sergeant-at-arms," which amendment was adopted by a vote of 64 to 38.

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The same gentleman further moved to amend by adding at the end of the rule, the words, "And nothing shall be received at the post-office of the House except legislative documents, notes and letters addressed to members and committees of the House, and matters coming through the United States mail."

Pending the amendment, Mr. Carter of Wakefield moved that the further consideration of the matter be postponed until to-morrow. Mr. Chance of Boston moved that the matter be postponed for further consideration until Jan. 1, 1893, which motion was lost, and the motion of Mr. Carter was lost. After debate, the amendment moved by Mr. Charles was rejected by a vote of 56 to 56, and the rule, as amended, was adopted by a vote of 105 to 6.

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick, at fifteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

The third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates was received, and was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, petition of Burt T. Stevenson and 361 others ; by Mr. Hobson of Lowell, petitions of J. F. Manahan and 20 others, and of Francis Carl and 118 others ; by Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, petitions of John Welch and 16 others, and of Gilbert Osgood and 152 others ; by Mr. Coburn of Lowell, petitions of Charles A. Marshall and 161 others, and of Edwin Cornock and 51 others ; by Mr. Wier of Lowell, petitions of Nathan Thissell and 18 others, of Charles McCarthy and 76 others, of H. F. Peabody and others, of W. J. Sears and 52 others, of James Stuart Murphy and 55 others, and of George E. Putnam and 97 others ; by Mr. Pratt of Lowell, petitions of J. O. Perkins and 236 others, of Frederick Lawton and 52 others, of Ferdinand Durand and 27 others, of Hiram C. Gordon and others, of Thomas M. O'Niell and 38 others, of Joseph Dextra and 117 others, and of A. G. Cumnock and 22 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles Morse and others for incorporation of the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petition of James L. Gordon and others of Boston; and by Mr. Fay of Northampton, petitions of Joseph H. Sawyer and others, and of William A. Holbrook and others of Easthampton, — severally, for legislation limiting the running of cars and boats on the Lord's Day.

Lord's Day, —
running of cars
and boats.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, petition of Samuel W. Cash and others in aid of the petition of George F. Bicknell and others that terms of the probate court of the county of Bristol may be held at Attleborough. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Bristol County,
— terms of the
probate court
at Attleborough.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Salary of the
third clerk in
the insurance
department.

A Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner (Senate, No. 48), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

County com-
missioners, —
vacancies.

A Resolve in favor of John Charles (Senate, No. 47) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

John Charles.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioner appointed to invite contributions of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth to be placed in the State House. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard, and sent up for concurrence. Mr. Blanchard moved that the report of the commissioner be printed as a House document, and there being no objection it was so ordered.

Report of the
commissioner
on portraits of
governors.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative

Trustee process.

to amending section 30 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, so that the amount exempt from attachment on trustee process for necessities shall be five dollars instead of ten dollars as at present.

Records and
returns of
marriages.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing some compensation for the performance, by ministers of the gospel, justices of the peace and others, of the duties specified in section 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, in respect to making records and returns of marriages solemnized by them.

Seeds.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds.

Merrimac
River, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes as relates to the taking of fish in Merrimac River.

Employment of
aliens on public
works.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Lyman School
for Boys.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys." (House, No. 162.)

State Industrial
School for
Girls.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls." (House, No. 163.)

City of Boston,
— board of
aldermen.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston. (House, No. 158.)

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to amend section 9 of chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the board of sewer commissioners for the city of Northampton. (House, No. 159.)

City of Northampton, — sewer commissioners.

By Mr. Perkins of Somerville, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town. (House, No. 157.)

City of Somerville, — 50th anniversary.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ought to pass. (House, No. 161.) Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading.

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Harris of Boston, from the committee on State House, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Civil Service Commissioners.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the following rule, was reconsidered: —

“RULE 104. No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government, [A] members of the press, the postmaster of the House and the telegraph operator, shall be admitted during the session of the House or during the half hour preceding or succeeding the session, to the cloak room, reading room or clerk’s room of the House, or to the passages connecting said [B] rooms, unless invited by the speaker or sergeant-at-arms, or introduced by a member in person at the time of such admission.”

House rule, — House, cloak room, reading room and clerk’s room.

Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the rule, Mr. Galloupe moved to amend at “A” by inserting the words “and persons employed in such departments;” also at “B” by inserting the words “cloak and reading.”

The amendments were severally adopted, and the rule, as amended, was adopted.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Cigarettes.**

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday.

**Married women,
— petitions for
custody of
minor children.**

On motions of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to confer original jurisdiction, exclusive or concurrent, of the petitions therein named upon supreme courts or upon district, municipal or police courts within their several districts, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Lobsters.

On motions of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so that it may be lawful to take, catch and sell, or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length (and sundry petitions in aid of the same), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Electricity.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation reducing and regulating the price of electricity, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

**Inspection and
regulation of
gas and gas
appliances.**

On motions of Mr. Proctor of Somerville, the report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or output of gas, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (which originated in the House); and Bills enacted.

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate; and

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves:

In favor of Sidney Herrick;

In favor of Mary Powers; and

In favor of Shubael C. Norton;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when in a civil case in a district, police or municipal court judgment is rendered for the plaintiff or without any evidence being put in by the defendant and an appeal is taken to the superior court, the decision and finding of the judge or justice of the district, police or municipal court shall be *prima facie* evidence in the superior court of the facts so found or of the facts involved in such decision, was accepted. Orders of the day.

Bills:

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing (Senate, No. 45);

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 154);

To amend an act to incorporate the East Boston Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 155);

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce the amount of its capital stock (House, No. 156); and

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton (Senate, No. 43);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway and to change the name of the former corporation (House, No. 140);

To amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled "An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court" (House, No. 144);

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments (House, No. 145); and

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association (House, No. 148) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Resolves :

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester (House, No. 142);

In favor of Augustus Barnes (House, No. 143);

In favor of the town of Manchester (House, No. 149); and

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (House, No. 150);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to remove the penalty for pursuing wild fowl with a sailboat (House, No. 105) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment striking out section 3, to wit: "Section 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, as recommended by

the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read "Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl."

The Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court (House, No. 141) was read a third time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, at the request of Mr. Dodge of Natick, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. The vote was 137 yeas to 42 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Austin, J. Lewis
Bacheller, Charles M.
Baker, William G.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brigham, William H.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight

Messrs. Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clayton, Horace E.
Clough, George S.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Crosby, James P.
Crosman, Charles
Crowell, Elkanah
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Daley, Edward L.
Delaney, Patrick
Dolan, William J.
Driscoll, John A.
Durant, William B.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fallon, James O.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fletcher, J. Henry
Francis, Frank W.
Galloupe, George A.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Garfield, George H.
George, Edwin H.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Golding, John
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Green, George H. B.
Hall, Henry C.
Harris, Charles E.
Hart, William H.

Messrs. Heald, Joseph B.	Messrs. Mooney, William L.
Hemenway, William H.	Morse, Stillman F.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Newell, Richard
Hoar, John J.	Norton, John H.
Holmes, Charles H.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Howard, George C.	O'Brien, John J.
Howard, S. Edward	Olmstead, James M.
Howe, S. Augustus	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Hoyt, Warren	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hyde, William S.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Perkins, George W.
Jennings, Henry J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jennison, Henry J.	Pratt, Amasa
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Presho, Edward W.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Proctor, George O.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Richardson, Albert W.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Lawrence, William B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Roe, Alfred S.
Loud, John C.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Low, Emery M.	Simonds, George R.
Lowe, William W.	Smith, James B.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sprague, Charles F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Stickney, Clarence
McAnally, Frank	St. John, Thomas E.
McCall, Samuel W.	Tucker, George F.
McEvoy, John W.	Warren, Bentley W.
McLean, Isaac	Wellman, Arthur H.
McLoughlin, John T.	Wier, Fred N.
Melaven, James F.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Mellen, James H.	Winslow, George S.
Meyer, George v. L.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Fall, George
Atwood, E. Elbridge	French, Russell M.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Friend, George H.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Gallup, William W.
Brown, Samuel J.	Halley, Dennis E.
Casey, Joseph J.	Harding, N. Frank
Crane, George A.	Hooker, Charles H.
Cutler, George P.	Horton, Everett S.
Dacey, Charles M.	Jackson, Charles T.
Dennis, William D.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Fairbanks, Edward	Lougee, Joseph L.

Messrs. Lynch, John B.	Messrs. Read, Franklin F.
McCarthy, Daniel	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Parker, James O.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Taft, Henry G.
Potter, Samuel A.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Quinn, Thomas A.	Wood, Frank C.
Quinn, Timothy F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 137; Nays, 42.

The Bill providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rock's Bridge and for repairs on said bridge (House, No. 152) was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, at twenty-three minutes before three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday.

TUESDAY, March 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

Report of the
sergeant-at-
arms, —
expenses of
committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending February 29, 1892, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 160.) Placed on file.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, petition of the town officers of Blackstone; by Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of the town officers of Mattapoisett; by Mr. Bardwell of Montague, petition of the selectmen of Northfield; and by Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, petition of the town officers of New Salem, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Cape Cod Ship
Canal.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, remonstrance of the First Nationalist Club of Boston against the several petitions asking for charters to build a canal from Barnstable Bay to Buzzard's Bay. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petitions of Henry C. Blood and A. McDonald and others of Winchester that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, petitions of C. H. Bean and 19 others, of William Forbes and 26 others, and of Jerry Hennessey and 52 others, citizens of Lawrence, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petitions of Henry C. Blood and others and A. Macdonald and others of Winchester for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 49) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House petitions and order had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused, in each case, to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule: —

Petition of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of the town of Natick that said town may be reimbursed the sum of \$32.04 on account of the board of Sarah E. Bowker at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital; and

Town of Natick.

Petition of John M. Winslow and others that the killing of quail may be prohibited on Nantucket Island for the term of two years.

Nantucket Island, — quail.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so that in every city where a majority of the inhabitants vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, such licenses shall only be granted in those wards in which a majority of "yes" votes are cast upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city?"

Intoxicating liquors, — vote on the question of granting licenses.

Docking of
horses.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill for the protection of horses mutilated by docking.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

A petition of the town officers of Boylston for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Reports of Committees.

Foreign manu-
facturing
corporations.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Home for
Young Women
and Children in
Lowell.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of E. T. Rowell for change of name of the Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell, to the Ayer Home for Young Women and Children. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pratt, and sent up for concurrence.

Depositions in
civil causes.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposition *de bene esse* to be taken in any civil causes pending in the supreme judicial or superior courts, by an examination of the witnesses before commissioner to take such deposition, and after giving reasonable notice in writing, by the party or his attorney proposing to take such deposition, to the opposite party or his attorney of record, of the name of the witness, and the time and the place of taking the deposition; and with such other restrictions and regulations as may seem to the committee advisable, substantially after the manner provided for taking such deposition in the United States courts.

Four hundredth
anniversary of
the discovery of
America.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America a legal holiday.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed.

Employment
of the unem-
ployed.

By Mr. French of Framingham, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge.

Town of Essex,
— Great Bridge.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns. (House, No. 167.)

Public ceme-
teries in towns,
— control of
lots and tombs.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay. (House, No. 168.)

Taking of men-
haden in Buz-
zard's Bay.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 12 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds. (House, No. 169.)

Registers of
deeds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 33) ought to pass, with the following amendment: In section one, line two, strike out the word "ten" and insert in place thereof the word "eight."

Salary of the
Governor.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ought to pass. (House, No. 165.)

Report of the
Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes, Towns
and Counties.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau ought to pass. (House, No. 166.)

Compensation
of members of
the State Dairy
Bureau.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of John Charles ought to pass. (Senate, No. 47.)

John Charles.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
of, at summer
resorts.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 81) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

William C.
Merry.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William C. Merry.

John Brickley.

By Mr. Cannon of Lawrence, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John Brickley.

George H. Ross.

By Mr. Crosby of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George H. Ross.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Sale of trout
artificially
propagated.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (House, No. 100) was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule.

Pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by adding after the word "trout" the words "in accordance with the provisions of this act," which amendment was rejected by a vote of 51 to 99.

Mr. Atwood moved to amend in section 2, by inserting in the eighth line, after the word "mark," the words "on such box, package or trout;" also by inserting in the thirteenth line after the word "same" the words "or who without right uses such stamp, device or mark."

Mr. Warren further moved to amend in section 2, by striking out all after the word "identification" in line 10 and substituting therefor the following: "Such label shall be so affixed as to be broken in opening such box or package, and the person affixing it shall write across it his name and the date on which the label was so affixed; and every such person who violates any of the foregoing provisions or any additional requirements and regulations prescribed by the commissioners on inland

fisheries and game, and every other person having in his possession any trout and no box or package labelled as aforesaid, and with said label, except in case of frozen fish, dated not more than days prior to such possession, shall be as fully subject to said sections fifty-one and fifty-three of chapter ninety-one of the Public Statutes as they would have been before the passage of this act."

Also by adding a new section, to be numbered 3, as follows:—

"*Section 3.* Every person who uses or attempts to use such a label other than the person whose name is printed thereon, and every person selling or offering for sale any trout not included under the exception of section 1 of this act, shall be subject to a fine of not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, or to confinement in the house of correction for not less than three nor more than six months, or both."

Also by striking out section 4.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the amendments moved by Mr. Atwood were severally adopted. The amendments moved by Mr. Warren were severally rejected, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill, the Bill to incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association (House, No. 147) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of the same gentleman, in section 3, line 4, by striking out the words "for the purposes of taxation;" also in lines 1 and 2 of section 4, by striking out the words "agent or superintendent," and inserting in place thereof the words "president or secretary-treasurer," and as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Tremont Advent-Christian
Camp-meeting
Association.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 163) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the packing and branding of nails ;

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to increase its water supply ;

To establish the salary of the clerks of the courts for the county of Barnstable ;

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon Bridge and for damages resulting from defects therein ; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge ;

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway ;

To supply the town of Orange with water ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To dissolve certain corporations ; and

Relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 30 of chapter 183 of the Public Statutes, so that the amount exempt from attachment on trustee process for necessities shall be five dollars instead of ten dollars, as at present ; and

On an order relative to providing some compensation for the performance by ministers of the gospel, justices of the peace and others of the duties specified in section 24 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes, in respect to making records and returns of marriages solemnized by them ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds ; and

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes as relates to the taking of fish in the Merrimac River ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works, was considered. Mr. Dolan of Boston moved that the report be laid on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 39 to 53, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company (House, No. 153) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town (House, No. 157) ;

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 158) ; and

To amend section 9 of chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1888 relating to the board of sewer commissioners for the city of Northampton (House, No. 159) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (House, No. 161) ; and

Providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys (House, No. 162) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge (House, No. 152), being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, Mr. Bacheller of Lynn moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, which motion was lost by a vote of 38 to 73, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 154) ; and

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock (House, No. 156) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 42) ;

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline (Senate, No. 44) ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton (Senate, No. 43) ; and

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing (Senate, No. 45) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and the proceedings thereon (House, No. 146) was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, by adding at the end of section 1 the words " but this section shall not apply to any money or property received by the wife from the husband," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by striking out the word "tobacco" and inserting in place thereof the word "paper." Mr. Clayton of Cambridge moved that the bill and pending amendment be laid on the table, which motion was lost. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the amendment moved by Mr. Chance was adopted by a vote of 91 to 11, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Jennings of Worcester, at five minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Rugg of Grafton, petition of the town officers and other citizens of Westborough for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional amendments.

Hours of labor
of paper mill
employees.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petitions of James Murray and others, George R. Dickenson and others and Edward Crawford and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees. To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
houses of relig-
ious worship.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of A. A. Ellsworth of Braintree and others that no place shall be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of Frances M. Fall and others of Everett that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Id.

By the same gentleman, petition of Dudley P. Bailey and others of Everett that women may be allowed to vote for presidential electors and other officers.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Lien on sculp-
ture and monu-
mental work in
cemeteries.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, petition of Wellman & Blake of Athol, and Joss Brothers of Quincy and others in aid of the petition of the Marble and Granite Dealers' Association for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set in a cemetery.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, petitions of Mrs. E. B. Leavitt and others of Cambridge, and of Payson W. Lyman and others of Fall River; and by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of Perley B. Davis and 40 others of Hyde Park, — severally, for legislation limiting the running of cars and boats on the Lord's day.

Lord's day, —
running of cars
and boats.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of William H. C. Lawrence and others for legislation authorizing the town of Nantucket to elect three sewer commissioners, and to extend the payment of its sewer debt to thirty years, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gardner, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Drainage, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Nan-
tucket, — sewer
commissioners.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richmond of Abington, of the water commissioners of the town of Abington for authority to issue additional water bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Richmond, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Abing-
ton, — water
bonds.

A petition, presented by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, of William H. Brigham that the town of Hudson may be authorized to issue additional bonds for the purpose of refunding its debt, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Brigham, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Hud-
son, — bonds.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to the Marlborough Hospital (Senate, No. 53) (reported on a petition); and a

Marlborough
Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples (Senate, No. 54) (being a new draft of a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate);

Widow of
Hamilton B.
Staples.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Superior court,
— payment of
stenographers.

A Bill relating to the payment of official stenographers of the superior court (Senate, No. 50), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

A Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Senate, No. 51) (reported, in part, on the report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Justices of the
peace, — fees.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of Charles C. Pitts that the fee of a justice of the peace for administering an oath and certifying the same under his official seal may be fixed at one dollar, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, that branch having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Essex County
Safe Deposit
and Trust
Company.

A petition of Benjamin W. Russell and others that they may be incorporated as the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, by a vote of 112 to 3.

Town of Reading,
— water
bonds.

A petition of the water commissioners of the town of Reading that said town may be authorized to issue additional water bonds for the purpose of extending its pipes and increasing its service, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Rate of taxation
in cities.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to such legislation as will allow cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the basis of the valuation of the preceding year instead of the average valuation of the three preceding years, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Cities. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Salem,
— wharf at
Salem Willows.

By Mr. Keliher of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Salem for authority to establish a wharf at

the Salem Willows. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Keliher, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Barney of New Bedford, from the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the second report of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Barney, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Free Public
Library Com-
mission.

By Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets, whether stopping or not.

Railroad tickets.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of C. H. Kohlrausch, Jr., for legislation exempting the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation. (Mr. Champlin of the Senate dissenting.)

Thomas Talbot
Memorial Hall
in Billerica.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take land, and issue bonds secured by mortgage.

Chicopee Water
Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property. (House, No. 172.)

Pilgrim Con-
gregational
Church of
Duxbury.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to convey the real estate of said church. (House, No. 175.)

Bromfield
Street Meth-
odist Episcopal
Church in
Boston.

By Mr. Golding of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 51 of the Acts of the year 1889, in relation to the tracks of the Revere Street Railway Company. (House, No. 170.)

Revere Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1890, in relation to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guarantee insurance companies. (House, No. 176.)

Taxation of cer-
tain insurance
companies.

Town of Easthampton.

By Mr. Gray of Rockland, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license. (House, No. 171.)

Annexation of a part of Phillipston to Templeton.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton. (House, No. 173.)

Town of Arlington, — high school building.

By Mr. Quinn of Sharon, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building. (House, No. 174.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

District police, — truant officer.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, from the committee on Education, on an order (taken from the files), a Bill to provide for a State officer to enforce the laws relating to truancy.

Catherine R. Doherty.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Catherine R. Doherty.

George F. Hubbard.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George F. Hubbard.

William Bird.

By Mr. Brigham of Hudson, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William Bird.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motions to Reconsider.

Cigarettes.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, ordered to a third reading the Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119). After debate the motion was lost.

Employment of aliens on public works.

Mr. Coakley of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works. After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 51 to 77.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city ;

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate ;

Relating to the taking of oysters in the town of Yarmouth ; and

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain ;

Resolves
passed.

In favor of George H. Gould ;

In favor of Samuel H. Damon ;

In favor of John Ord ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation amending chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposition *de bene esse* to be taken in any civil causes pending in the supreme judicial or superior courts, by an examination of the witnesses before commissioner to take such deposition, and after giving reasonable notice in writing, by the party or his attorney proposing to take such deposition, to the opposite party or his attorney, of record of the name of the witness, and the time and the place of taking the deposition ; and with such other restrictions and regulations as may seem to the committee advisable, substantially after the manner provided for taking such deposition in the United States courts ; and

Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to making the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America a legal holiday ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed ; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau (House, No. 166) ;

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns (House, No. 167) ;

To amend section 12 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds (House, No. 169) ; and

To authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 49) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (House, No. 165) ; and

In favor of John Charles (Senate, No. 47) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 168) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, laid on the table.

Bills :

Providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge (House, No. 152) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town (House, No. 157) ; and

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 158) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (House, No. 161) ; and

Providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys (House, No. 162) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 9 of chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1888 relating to the board of sewer commissioners for the city of Northampton (House, No. 159) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read " Bill to enable the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip."

The Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 33) was read a second time and considered. After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Hudson.

The committee on Finance having recommended an amendment, striking out, in line 2 of section 1 the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word "eight," the question was first put on allowing the word "ten" to remain in the bill, which was rejected by a vote of 66 to 110. The amendment recommended by the committee on Finance was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 81) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved to amend in section 1, line 13, by striking out the word "before" and inserting in the place thereof the words "from the first to."

Mr. St. John of Haverhill moved to amend in line 28 of the same section by striking out the words "next following," and inserting in place thereof the word "aforesaid."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119) was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, at ten minutes past four o'clock, adjourned, by a vote of 88 to 66.

THURSDAY, March 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Railroad Com-
missioners.

The twenty-third annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Railroads, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Pilot commis-
sioners for
Boston harbor.

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, remonstrances of John R. Dana, president of the Board of Marine Underwriters and 37 others, of J. G. Hall & Co. and 18 others, of William H. Lincoln and others, and of the American Sugar Refining Company and others, — severally, against taking away the powers of the trustees of the Boston Marine Society in the appointment of pilots and commissioners of pilots of the port of Boston.

Severally to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Winslow of Norwood, petition of George Hill and others of Norwood; by Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, petition of the town officers of Beverly; by Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, petitions of the town officers and other citizens of Huntington, of the town officers and other citizens of Agawam, and of the town officers and other citizens of Westhampton; and by Mr. Gillett of Heath, petitions of the town officers and other citizens of Heath, of the town officers of Rowe, and of the town officers of Hawley, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, remonstrances of Henry O. Davis and others, of John J. Harlow and others, of N. B. Hallett and others, and of Orville D. Lovell and others, — severally, against any change in the law so as to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl from sunken boats or boxes.

Wild fowl.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By the same gentleman, petitions of Albert Rogers and others of Dennisport, and of N. H. Chamberlain and others of Monument Beach, — severally, in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of public reservations.

Public reservations, — appropriation for province lands.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, petitions of Patrick O'Rourke and 63 others, of J. L. Charlifoux and 20 others, of T. K. Holbrook and 98 others, of Peter Sheehan, Jr., and 98 others, of John W. Mevis and 98 others, of John Pierce and 98 others, and of A. M. Huntoon and 98 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Fiske of Ashland, of J. A. Woodbury that the town of Hopkinton be authorized to issue additional water bonds to an amount not exceeding \$25,000, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Fiske, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Hopkinton, — water bonds.

A petition, presented by Mr. Smith of Andover, of the water commissioners of the town of Andover for authority to issue additional water bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Smith, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Andover, — water bonds.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused, by a vote of 54 to 15, four-fifths of the members present and voting not having voted in the affirmative, to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule : —

National banks,
— reorganiza-
tion of, as safe
deposit and
loan and trust
companies, or
as state banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enabling national banks now doing business in this Commonwealth to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies or as State banks.

Bills :

Willey Savings
Bank in Boston.

To incorporate the Willey Savings Bank in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 55) ; and

Town of
Plymouth, —
town dock.

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place (Senate, No. 56) ;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Somer-
ville, — funded
debt.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law (House, No. 127) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting after the word “ amended,” in section 1, line 4, the following words : “ by striking out all after the word ‘ payment,’ in the sixteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words : ‘ and for the payment, from time to time, of the outstanding notes, bonds or scrip, which shall constitute the said remainder of its indebtedness, as they shall severally mature, in such annual proportionate sums as will extinguish, or in annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish, said indebtedness or the loans incurred in payment of the same or any part thereof, within the time hereby authorized ; and the amount required for such payment shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors of said city in each year thereafter, until the said indebtedness shall be extinguished, in the same manner as other taxes are assessed under the provisions of section 34 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes.’ ”

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Somerville, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97), recommitted by the House to the committee on Water Supply with instructions to give public notice and a hearing, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the recommitment with instructions. On motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the House receded from its recommitment with instructions, and on further motion of the same gentleman the bill was recommitted to the committee on Water Supply.

Methuen Water Company.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of C. C. Burdett and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

Petition of J. Evarts Green and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations. To the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Public reservations,—appropriation for province lands

A petition of Alden E. Viles for confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Alden E. Viles.

The House petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Horse racing.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to enacting a general law governing all cities and towns in introducing, extending, regulating and maintaining systems of public water supply, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Cities and towns,—public water supply.

Fish weirs.

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way.

City of Boston,
— commissioners of public
institutions.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice G. Parker that a woman may be appointed as a member of the commissioners of public institutions of the city of Boston.

Housatonic
Water Com-
pany.

By Mr. Gilbride of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock and to take an additional water supply.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Suffolk and
Middlesex
counties, —
equity docket
of the superior
court.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex. (House, No. 179.)

Caterpillars and
canker worms.

By Mr. Gallup of Clarksburg, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition (recommitted) for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways, and on an order, a Bill to provide for the destruction of caterpillars and canker worms within the limits of highways. (House, No. 181.)

Railroads, —
electricity as a
motive power.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power. (House, No. 182.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Collection of
taxes.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend sections 53 and 54 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes," ought to pass. (House, No. 180.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Towns of
Mashpee and
Barnstable, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable," ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, from the committee on Libraries, on the annual report of the librarian of the State Library, and on an order, a Bill to authorize the preparation for the State of an index of current events. Index of current events.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Michael J. Flemming. Michael J. Flemming.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton (House, No. 173) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Annexation of a part of Phillipston to the town of Templeton.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its property (which originated in the House); Bills enacted.

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing;

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton; and

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets whether stopping or not ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take land and issue bonds secured by mortgage ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of C. H. Kohlrausch, Jr., for legislation exempting the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation, was recommitted to the committee on Taxation, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford.

Bills :

To amend section 1 of chapter 51 of the Acts of the year 1889 in relation to the tracks of the Revere Street Railway Company (House, No. 170) ;

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license (House, No. 171) ;

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property (House, No. 172) ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building (House, No. 174) ;

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to convey the real estate of said church (House, No. 175) ;

To amend chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1890 in relation to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guarantee insurance companies (House, No. 176) ;

Relating to the Marlborough Hospital (Senate, No. 53) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples (Senate, No. 54) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company (House, No. 153);

Providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau (House, No. 166); and

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns (House, No. 167); and the

Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (House, No. 165);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 49); and the

Resolve in favor of John Charles (Senate, No. 47);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco (House, No. 119), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 16, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the East Boston Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 155) was read a third time, and, pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to substitute a "Bill to amend the charter of the East Boston Company" (House, No. 178), and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (House, No. 100) was read a third time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 33) was read a third time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, at three minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of the Charles River Improvement Commission.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Voted, That 2,500 copies of the first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission be printed for the use of the House. (House, No. 197.)

Report of the
Charles River
Improvement
Commission.

Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

The eighth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners (House, No. 61) was referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

So much thereof as relates to enabling the Civil Service Commissioners to request advice from the Attorney-General, and so much as relates to modifying the punishment of perjury:

Advice from the
Attorney-Gen-
eral, —
perjury.

To the committee on the Judiciary; and

The residue of the report was referred to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Hinds of Webster, of the selectmen and 138 other citizens and tax payers of the town of Webster against the petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in said town, was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Webster, —
fire district.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wellman of Malden, of the mayor of Malden for the establishment of a board of fire commissioners for said city, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Wellman, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Malden,
— board of fire
commissioners.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrows of Wareham, —

Town of
Marion, —
scallop fisheries.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation for the protection of the scallop fisheries of the town of Marion, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Barrows, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

Salary of the
fifth assistant
clerk of superior
court, Suffolk
County.

The House Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 75) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 1, lines 1, 2, 3 and 4, the words "The clerk of the superior court for the county of Suffolk may, subject to the approval of a majority of the justices of said court," and inserting in place thereof the words "The justices of the superior court, or a majority of them, may;" also by striking out in line 5 of the same section the word "said," and inserting in place thereof the word "the," and by inserting after the word "county" the words "of Suffolk;" also in line 9 of the same section, by striking out the word "twenty-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-two."

On motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the several amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
trustees of the
Danvers Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Heald of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Heald, and sent up for concurrence.

Compulsory
school age.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen

years, and providing that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years. Compulsory school age.

By Mr. Mooney of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach. School teachers.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased. Salaries of the constables of the South Boston municipal court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town (Senate, No. 20) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations." (House, No. 184.) Two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of cities and towns.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings. (House, No. 188.) Grade crossings.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 189.) Cremation.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex. (House, No. 185.) Salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol. (House, No. 186.) Bristol County, — clerical assistance for the treasurer.

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Williamstown.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown. (House, No. 187.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Supreme Judi-
cial and superior
courts in Middle-
sex County,—
officers in
attendance.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the superior and supreme judicial courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries (Senate, No. 28) ought to pass.

George F.
Hubbard.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of George F. Hubbard ought to pass. (House, No. 190.)

Michael J.
Flemming.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Michael J. Flemming ought to pass. (House, No. 192.)

George H.
Ross.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of George H. Ross ought to pass. (House, No. 191.)

William C.
Merry.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William C. Merry ought to pass. (House, No. 193.)

William Burt.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William Burt ought to pass. (House, No. 194.)

Catherine R.
Doherty.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Catherine R. Doherty ought to pass. (House, No. 195.)

John Brickley.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of John Brickley ought to pass. (House, No. 196.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear Infirm-
ary.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

William H.
Robison.

Mr. Fay of Northampton, from the same committee, to whom was recommitted the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of William H. Robison, reported that the resolve ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the chief of the district police. Salary of the chief of the district police.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Howard of Newton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enabling national banks now doing business in this Commonwealth to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies or as State banks. National banks, reorganization of, as safe deposit and loan and trust companies, or as State banks.

After debate the motion prevailed. The question recurring on suspension of the rule, in concurrence, it was suspended by a vote of 106 to 7, and the order was adopted, in concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act entitled “An Act to protect the fisheries in the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable” was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Fisheries and Game. Towns of Mashpee and Barnstable,—fisheries.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business; Bills enacted.
and

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice G. Parker that a woman may be appointed as a member of the commissioners of public institutions of the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock and to take an additional water supply ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (House, No. 179) ;

To amend sections 53 and 54 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled " An Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes " (House, No. 180) ;

To provide for the destruction of caterpillars and canker worms within the limits of highways (House, No. 181) ;

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power (House, No. 182) ;

To incorporate the Wilkey Savings Bank in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 55) ; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing-place (Senate, No. 56) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building (House, No. 174) ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to convey the real estate of said church (House, No. 175) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the Marlborough Hospital (Senate, No. 53) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples (Senate, No. 54) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 12 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds (House, No. 169) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a " Bill to relieve registers of deeds from certain obligations in respect to place of residence " (House, No. 183), and as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 81) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, striking out in section 1, line 2, the word " ten," and inserting in place thereof the word " twelve ; " also by inserting in the same line, before the word " of," the word " chapter ; " also in line 12 of the same section by striking out the word " superintendent," and inserting in place thereof the word " chief ; " also in line 24 of the same section by striking out the word " can " and inserting in place thereof the word " may ; " also in line 33 of the same section by inserting after the word " section," the words " thirty-one of chapter ; " also in section 2, line 3, by striking out the word " pay," and inserting in place thereof the words " be punished by."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license (House, No. 171) was read a third time and considered. After debate, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Towns, with instructions to report a general bill, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, at twenty minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

The seventh annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Manufactures, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Annexation of
Cambridge to
Boston.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, remonstrance of the selectmen and other citizens and tax payers of Weston against the annexation of the city of Cambridge to the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, petition of the town officers of Chesterfield; by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of the town officers of Eastham; by Mr. Hyde of Ware, petition of the town officers of Pelham; and by Mr. Brown of Amesbury, petition of the town officers of Merrimac,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Public reserva-
tions,— appro-
priations for
province lands.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petitions of John Swett and others of Wellfleet, and of John Ellicott and others, and A. Hughes and others of Truro,—severally, in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of public reservations.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, of Town of Stoneham. Myron J. Ferren for the passage of an act legalizing a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating a certain sum of money for celebrating an anniversary, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ferren, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of Town of Everett, — water bonds. the town of Everett that it may be permitted to issue additional water bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to increasing the salaries of the district attorney and assistant district attorneys for Suffolk County, and an order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence. Salaries of the district attorneys and assistant district attorneys of Suffolk County, and district attorneys of the Commonwealth.

Reports :

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all ; Taxation of telegraph and telephone companies.

On an order relative to so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town ; and Taxation of telegraph, telephone and electric light companies.

On an order relative to amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes, so as to provide for the assess- Taxation of sleeping-cars.

ment of a tax upon all sleeping-cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Taunton,
— water bonds.

A Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 57) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of New
Bedford, —
parks.

Petition of a joint special committee of the city of New Bedford that said city may be authorized to issue, for park purposes, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$100,000 beyond the limit fixed by law. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petition of G. E. Fuller and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

Petitions of M. Franey and others, and of Maggie O'Brien and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Retirement of
justices of the
superior court.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 420 of the Acts of the year 1887 as to provide for the retirement of justices of the superior court on the same terms as justices of the supreme judicial court, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference.

Division of
the town of
Templeton.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of C. G. Davis and others for the division of the town of Templeton. Read and accepted, under a suspen-

sion of the rule, moved by Mr. Blodgett of Templeton and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations in permissions given under section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, to carry on the business of slaughtering, melting or rendering or other noxious or offensive trades within their territory. Noxious and offensive trades.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 15 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided the number of trains of any railroad or cars on any street railway shall not exceed one-seventh the daily average number run on the other days of the week, and no cars shall be allowed to disturb public worship, and no excursion trains, cars or boats shall be permitted to run," (and sundry petitions relating to the subject). (Mr. Wellman of Malden dissenting.) Lord's day, — running of cars and boats.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Joseph Cook and others that a hearing may be granted in support of a resolution passed by the Massachusetts Sabbath Convention, asking for a repeal of the present legalization of the printing and distribution of newspapers on Sunday. (Messrs. Parker of Boston and Wellman of Malden dissenting.) Lord's day, — Sunday newspapers.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to more definitely define the powers and liabilities of sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables and police officers in making arrests. Liability of officers in making arrests.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid. Ellen Toomey.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence. (House, No. 203.) Embalming fluids.

Town of
Winthrop,—
pilotage.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop. (House, No. 202.)

Plymouth and
Middleborough
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds. (House, No. 204.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners ought to pass. (House, No. 201.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Public docu-
ments,—free
public libraries

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Libraries, on an order, a Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Town of
Easthampton.

Mr. Gray of Rockland moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, recommitted to the committee on Towns, with instructions to report a general bill, the Bill to authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license (House, No. 171). After debate, the motion prevailed. The recurring question on recommitment with instructions was lost, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law (which originated in the House); and

To authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of John Charles (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, and that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not ; and

On an order relative to enacting a law providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years, was, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 22, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills :

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations (House, No. 184) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 185) ;

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol (House, No. 186) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (House, No. 187) ;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking

of land for the alteration of grade crossings (House, No. 188); and

Authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members (House, No. 189); and

Resolves:

In favor of George F. Hubbard (House, No. 190);

In favor of George H. Ross (House, No. 191);

In favor of Michael J. Fleming (House, No. 192);

In favor of William C. Merry (House, No. 193);

In favor of William Burt (House, No. 194);

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty (House, No. 195); and

In favor of John Brickley (House, No. 196);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property (House, No. 172) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by adding at the end thereof the words "of said Duxbury, to be used in the support of religious worship in said town," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (House, No. 179) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect on the first day of July, eighteen hundred ninety-two."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title also having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read "Bill providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the superior court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk."

The Bill to amend sections 53 and 54 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes" (House, No. 180) was read a third time, passed to be

engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read "Bill to amend the law relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking."

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton (House, No. 173) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jennison of Weston, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 60 to 67.

The Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 51 of the Acts of the year 1889 in relation to the tracks of the Revere Street Railway Company (House, No. 170) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Bill authorizing the Revere Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1890 in relation to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guarantee insurance companies (House, No. 176) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Bill relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the superior and supreme judicial courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries (Senate, No. 28), was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the destruction of caterpillars and canker worms within the limits of highways (House, No. 181) was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Chance of Boston moved that it be postponed for further

consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost. After debate, the bill was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston.

The Bill authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power (House, No. 182) was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Casey of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Monday, March 21, which motion was lost, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 55) ; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place (Senate, No. 56) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, at ten minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Hale of Tyringham, petition of the selectmen, assessors and others of the town of Mount Washington, in aid of the petition of H. F. Keith and others for the incorporation of the South Berkshire Mountain Club. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. South Berkshire Mountain Club.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petitions of Harold C. Ernst and others, of A. W. Beard and others of Boston, and of Stephen M. Crosby and other members of the Boston Art Club, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission. Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

By Mr. Proctor of Somerville, petition of M. P. Lowe and others of Somerville that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Finance.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such mem- Joint special committee, — revision of the

Judicial system
of the Common-
wealth.

bers as the House may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth, so far as relates to courts inferior to the superior court, with a view to greater efficiency and economy in the administration of justice. Said committee shall inquire whether district courts should be further established, whether any now established may be territorially extended or reduced to public advantage, whether any such courts shall be abolished, whether salaries of justices and clerks should be raised, reduced or equalized, whether court officers should be established in any of the inferior courts aforesaid, and how such officers shall be paid, and whether trial justices can be paid by salary.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall have leave to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday of February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Report of the
trustees of the
Worcester
Lunatic Hos-
pital and
Worcester
Insane Asylum.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard of Boston.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— parks.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken ; and

Id.

On an order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks for the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city ; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor ; said board also to have the power to purchase land for

park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars (Senate, No. 59) (reported on petitions); and

Town of Revere,—
cellar grade.

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 60) (reported on a petition);

New England
Hospital for
Women and
Children.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts acts and resolves (House, No. 135) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment to the title, striking out the words "copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts acts and resolves," and inserting in place thereof the words "published copies of the early acts and resolves of the General Court," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Early acts and
resolves.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation authorizing the attachment of shares of foreign corporations doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign corporations,—
attachment of
shares.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant General.

Salary of the
additional clerk
in the office of
the Adjutant
General.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Salaries of the
Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. McSolla of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories of the Com-

District police,
— salaries of
women inspec-
tors.

monwealth from \$1,000 per year, the sum now paid, to \$1,200 per year.

Highways in towns.

By Mr. Taft of Worcester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the county or State shall assist towns whose valuations do not exceed \$300,000 in the support of their highways.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation giving assistance to towns of less valuation than \$600,000 in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns.

Street railway companies, —
appliance for deadening noise on electric cars.

By Mr. Proctor of Somerville, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car.

Street railway companies, —
warning of the approach of cars.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the chief clerk in the office of the State Board of Agriculture ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture." (House, No. 209.)

County taxes.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the several counties for taxes, with the accounts of the county treasurers, a Resolve granting county taxes. (House, No. 206.)

City of Lowell, — armory.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot. (House, No. 205.)

Board of examiners of school superintendents.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of examiners of school superintendents. (House, No. 212.)

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being "An Act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations." (House, No. 208.)

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

By Mr. Gilbride of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 207.)

City of Cam-
bridge,— water
loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the superior court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial (Senate, No. 36) ought to pass.

Superior court,
— decisions of
justices.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the chief of the district police ought to pass. (House, No. 210.)

Salary of the
chief of district
police.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the preparation for the State library of an index of current events ought to pass. (House, No. 211.)

State library,—
index of current
events.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers, in part, a Bill relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

By Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Resolve providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building.

Normal Art
School building.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order, a Bill authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane.

Towns,—
support of
insane paupers.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the payment of

Free public
libraries,—
public docu-
ments.

transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Reconsideration.

Revere Street
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill authorizing the Revere Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop (House, No. 198) was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Street Railways.

Annexation of
a part of the
town of Phillips-
ton to the town
of Templeton.

Mr. Blodgett of Templeton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton (House, No. 173). After debate the motion to reconsider prevailed, and the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was so ordered.

Taken from the Table.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 168) was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the same gentleman moved to amend in section 1, line 8, by striking out the word "purse," and inserting after the word "seine" the words "or net," which amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Lord's day, —
Sunday news-
papers.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Joseph Cook and others that a hearing may be granted in support of a resolution passed by the Massachusetts Sabbath Convention, asking for a repeal of the present legalization of the printing and distribution of newspapers on Sunday, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the same gentleman moved to amend

by the substitution of a "Bill to further regulate the observance of the Lord's day" (House, No. 213), pending which, the report was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

On motions of Mr. Hoar of Boston, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, March 21, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of
telephone and
telegraph com-
panies.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham ;

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ; and

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to more definitely define the powers and liabilities of sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables and police officers in making arrests ;

Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations under the provisions given in section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, relative to permits for carrying on the business of slaughtering,

melting or rendering, or other noxious or offensive trades within their territory; and

On an order relative to amending section 15 of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided the number of trains of any railroad or cars of any street railway shall not exceed one-seventh the daily average number run on the other days of the week, and no cars shall be allowed to disturb public worship, and no excursion trains, cars or boats shall be permitted to run;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town; and

On an order relative to amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes, so as to provide for the assessment of a tax upon all sleeping-cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop (House, No. 202);

Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence (House, No. 203);

To authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds (House, No. 204); and

To authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 57); and the

Resolve providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners (House, No. 201);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations (House, No. 184) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 185) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (House, No. 187) ; and

Authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members (House, No. 189) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of George F. Hubbard (House, No. 190) ;

In favor of George H. Ross (House, No. 191) ;

In favor of Michael J. Fleming (House, No. 192) ;

In favor of William C. Merry (House, No. 193) ;

In favor of William Burt (House, No. 194) ;

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty (House, No. 195)
and

In favor of John Brickley (House, No. 196) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol (House, No. 186) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out in section 1, line 7, the words "their certificate," and inserting in place thereof the words "the certificate of said treasurer," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings (House, No. 188) was read a third time, and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the East Boston Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 155) was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill to amend the charter of the East Boston Company" (House, No. 178). Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend the bill recom-

mended as a substitute by striking out, in section 2, lines 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, the words "and to manage and improve the same at its will and pleasure, with authority to construct dams, docks, wharves and buildings, and to lay out streets and passageways within the limits of said East Boston as it shall deem expedient."

Pending the several amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 23, by a vote of 74 to 60.

The Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the superior and supreme judicial courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries (Senate, No. 28), was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, at eight minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Tucker of New Bedford had been appointed to preside. Mr. Tucker accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, chaplain of the Senate.

Resolution Presented.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, a Resolution concerning portraits of former governors of the Commonwealth. Portraits of governors.
Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Blanchard, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolution was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Commonwealth be given to Shepherd Brooks, Francis Brooks and Peter C. Brooks, for their gift to the State of a portrait of Governor John Brooks;

To John Chandler Bancroft Davis of New York, George Henry Davis and Horace Davis of California, Andrew McFarland Davis of Massachusetts and John Davis of Washington, District of Columbia, for their gift to the State of a portrait of Governor John Davis;

And to Alexander H. Rice, formerly Governor of the Commonwealth, for his gift to the State of a portrait of himself;

And that said portraits, with other portraits of former Governors which may hereafter be received, be hung in such places in the State House as the Governor may direct.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. George of Groveland, petition of Sherman Nelson and others of Georgetown and Groveland; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of the town officers of Need- Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

ham; and by Mr. Morse of Holden, petition of the town officers of Westminster,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

City of Brockton,—sewerage.

By Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, remonstrance of the town of Easton against any legislation granting to the city of Brockton authority to take land in the town of Easton for sewerage purposes. To the committee on Drainage.

Liens.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, petition of F. H. Goddard and others of Worcester for an amendment of the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of labor of employees of paper mills.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petition of James T. Porter and 422 others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees. To the committee on Labor.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of Martha Sewall Curtis and 54 others of Burlington that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Elections,—closing of polls.

A petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of W. H. Powers, by request of the Hazelwood and Clarendon Hill Citizens' Association, for legislation providing that persons within the voting rail at the time of closing the polls may be permitted to complete their act of voting, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Powers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Gardner,—town meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Howe of Gardner, of the selectmen of the town of Gardner that the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such members as the House may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth, so far as relates to courts inferior to the superior court, with a view to greater efficiency and economy in the administration of justice. Said committee shall inquire whether district courts should be further established, whether any now established may be territorially extended or reduced to public advantage, whether any such courts shall be abolished, whether salaries of justices and clerks should be raised, reduced or equalized, whether court officers should be established in any of the inferior courts aforesaid, and how such officers shall be paid, and whether trial justices can be paid by salary.

Joint special committee, — revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall have leave to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday of February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

A report of the committee on Drainage, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the third annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Fine Arts Commission.

Bills :

Town of
Holbrook,—
water loan.

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 61) ; and

Town of
Randolph,—
water loan.

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 62) ;

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

Petitions of Thomas Ryder and others, of Kate Mullen and others, and of Sarah Higgins and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lawrence, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
deputy sealer
of weights and
measures.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the deputy sealer of weights and measures. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parker, and sent up for concurrence.

Granite Loan
and Trust Com-
pany.

By Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Ralph Warner and others for incorporation as the Granite Loan and Trust Company. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Clayton, and sent up for concurrence.

Drunkenness.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry

H. Faxon for the repeal of chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the punishment of drunkenness. (Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke dissenting.)

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, Appointment of auditors. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enlarging the powers of the supreme judicial court and superior courts in the appointment of auditors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Sittings of the superior court in Hampden County. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for an additional sitting of the superior court in Hampden County.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the same committee, Solemnization of marriages. leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus B. Tobey and others for the repeal of that portion of the law relative to solemnizing marriages which requires them to be solemnized in the town where one of the parties resides or where the person officiating resides.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Husbands and wives. leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lucy Stone and others for legislation for the protection of wives against aggravated assaults and cruelty of their husbands.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, Habitual criminals. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887 that the determination of the period of imprisonment imposed by sentence under said section shall be vested in the discretion of the court, the same in no event to exceed a term of twenty-five years.

By Mr. Austin of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice, on the petition of Horace S. Crowell for authority to build and maintain a bridge or way in the town of Falmouth, from the main land to Devil's Foot Island, and from said island to Ram Island. Town of Falmouth.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts. (House, No. 216.) Return days of writs.

By Mr. Hyde of Ware, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell. (House, No. 215.) Washington Savings Institution of Lowell.

Boundary lines
between the city
of Gloucester
and the towns of
Essex and
Ipswich.

By Mr. Fall of Ipswich, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on so much of the report (taken from the files of last year) of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to the boundary lines between the city of Gloucester and towns of Essex and Ipswich, a Bill to establish the boundary lines in tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich, and between the said towns and the city of Gloucester. (House, No. 214.) [Mr. Keliber of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

County com-
missioners, —
vacancies.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner (Senate, No. 48) ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out in section 4, lines 1 and 2, the words "fourteen of chapter ten of the Public Statutes," and inserting in place thereof the words "two hundred and one of chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the year 1890." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates.

By Mr. Heald of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Street railway
companies, —
appliance for
deadening noise
on electric cars.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Street Railways.

Street railway
companies, —
warning of the
approach of
cars.

On motions of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of

cars, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 22.

On motions of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks of the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
—parks.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 22, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Free public
libraries, —
public
documents.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock; Bills enacted.

Providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the superior court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk;

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate; and

To incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Relating to the Marlborough Hospital;

To incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :**Resolves passed.**

To provide for the exchange of certain published copies of the early Acts and Resolves of the General Court (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.**Orders of the day.**

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation authorizing the attachment of shares of foreign corporations doing business in this Commonwealth, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant General ;

On an order relative to increasing the salaries of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ; and

On an order relative to increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories in the Commonwealth from \$1,000 per year, the sum now paid, to \$1,200 per year ;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that the county or State shall assist towns whose valuations do not exceed \$300,000 in the support of their highways ; and

On an order relative to legislation giving assistance to towns of less valuation than \$600,000 in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot (House, No. 205) ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan (House, No. 207) ;

To extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (House, No. 208) ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture (House, No. 209) ;

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police (House, No. 210) ;

To authorize the preparation for the State library of an index of current events (House, No. 211) ;

To provide for the appointment of a board of examiners of school superintendents (House, No. 212) ;

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars (Senate, No. 59) ;

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 60) ; and

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the superior court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial (Senate, No. 36) ; and the

Resolve granting county taxes (House, No. 206) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop (House, No. 202) ;

Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence (House, No. 203) ;

To annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton (House, No. 173) ; and

To authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 168) ; and the

Resolve providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners (House, No. 201) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 57) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Nutting of Northampton, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, at the request of Mr. Charles of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 73 yeas to 113 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Graham, John R.
Adams, John W.	Gray, Joshua S.
Allen, James E.	Green, George H. B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Hale, Charles H.
Ball, George S.	Hall, Henry C.
Barstow, Thomas	Harding, N. Frank
Bartlett, Robert G.	Hinds, John F.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Holmes, Charles H.
Brigham, William H.	Hooker, Charles H.
Brown, Samuel J.	Hopewell, John, Jr.
Buck, Anson	Howard, S. Edward
Carter, James H.	Jackson, Charles T.
Chance, Charles J.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Chester, Dwight	Jenks, George W.
Clayton, Horace E.	Jennison, Henry J.
Clough, George S.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Crosby, James P.	Lakin, James A.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Lane, Howard G.
Cutler, George E.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Cutler, George P.	Loud, John C.
Delaney, Patrick	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Dennis, William D.	Melaven, James F.
Driscoll, John A.	Mellen, James H.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Morse, Stillman F.
Easland, John N.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Fallon, James O.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Fiske, Granville C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Powers, Wilbur H.
Friend, George H.	Proctor, George O.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Garfield, George H.	Quinn, Timothy F.
George, Edwin H.	Richmond, Silas P.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Roe, Alfred S.

Messrs. Sawyer, Samuel L.
Smith, James B.
St. John, Thomas E.
Sweet, Andrew H.

Messrs. Taft, Henry G.
Whitcomb, N. Emery
Wilder, Aaron O.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Appleton, Francis H.
Ashley, Henry W.
Austin, J. Lewis
Baker, William G.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bates, Jacob P.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Blodgett, Percival
Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brook, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Casey, Joseph J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Louis M.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Durant, William B.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fall, George
Francis, Frank W.
French, Russell M.

Messrs. Galloupe, George A.
Gallup, William W.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Golding, John
Halley, Dennis E.
Harris, Charles E.
Hart, William H.
Heald, Joseph B.
Healy, Lemuel
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Horton, Everett S.
Hoyt, Warren
Hyde, William S.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Lawrence, William B.
Low, Emery M.
Luther, William
Lyford, Edwin F.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McEvoy, John W.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Meyer, George v. L.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Newell, Richard
Nichols, DeWitt C.
Nickerson, Osborn
Norton, John H.
Nye, Charles H.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John J.

Messrs. Olmstead, James M.	Messrs. Smith, Sumner
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Parker, James O.	Sprague, Charles F.
Perkins, Augustus G.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Perkins, George W.	Sundberg, John F.
Pratt, Amasa	Toomey, Daniel P.
Presho, Edward W.	Tucker, George F.
Read, Franklin F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Rivers, George R. R.	Wier, Fred N.
Rockwell, Henry F.	Wood, Frank C.
Savage, Patrick J.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Sawyer, Ira O.	

Yeas, 73 ; Nays, 113.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Lougee, Joseph L.*	Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus
Stickney, Clarence*	Bachelor, Charles M.
Blanchard, S. Stillman*	Danforth, John M.
Howard, George C.*	Sullivan, Michael F.

* Present.

The Bill to provide for the destruction of caterpillars and canker worms within the limits of highways (House, No. 181) was, on motion of Mr. Adams of Springfield, recommitted to the committee on Agriculture, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Joseph Cook and others that a hearing may be granted in support of a resolution passed by the Massachusetts Sabbath Convention, asking for a repeal of the present legalization of the printing and distribution of newspapers on Sunday, was further considered. Pending the question on the amendment moved by Mr. Parker of Boston, by the substitution of a " Bill to further regulate the observance of the Lord's day " (House, No. 213), Mr. Warren of Boston raised the point of order that the bill moved as a substitute was beyond the scope of the petition referred to the committee, inasmuch as the petition simply asked for a hearing.

Point of order.

The Chair (Mr. Tucker of New Bedford) stated that a substitute bill was an amendment; that Rule 89 of the House provides "that no motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of an amendment;" that the petition referred to the committee contained no request for legislation, but only a request for a hearing in support of a certain resolution passed by the Massachusetts Sabbath Convention; and therefore ruled that as the amendment (the bill moved as a substitute by the gentleman from Boston) did not come within the scope of the original petition, the point of order was well taken, and the bill moved as an amendment was accordingly ruled out, and the report of the committee was accepted.

The Bill to authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds (House, No. 204) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, substituting a bill with the same title (House, No. 217), which was read. Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, pending which motion the House, —

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, at three minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order Adopted.

Joint special
committee on
Public Reserva-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, —
Ordered, That the joint special committee on Public Reservations be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of the town officers of Orleans and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

State printing.

By Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, petition of a committee of the members of Springfield Typographical Union, No. 216, for the establishment of a State printing office. To the committee on Printing.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule: —

Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners, — East
Boston bridge.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of providing that the Commonwealth shall pay the expense incurred in the employment of a stenographer, and of printing the evidence,

in the hearing before the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, relating to the building of a bridge between Boston and East Boston; said board having no appropriation therefor.

A Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard (Senate, No. 65) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. George A. Barnard.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company. Veranus Land Company.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Remonstrance of Luther Fisk and others against any change in the pilot laws. To the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. Pilot laws.

Petitions of the selectmen of the town of West Newbury, and of the selectmen of the town of Hatfield,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Remonstrance of the selectmen of the town of Easton against the petition of the city of Brockton for authority to take land in said town for sewerage purposes. To the committee on Drainage. City of Brockton,—sewerage.

Petition of James F. Monahan and others for legislation prohibiting the granting of licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus destructive to the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Buzzard's Bay,—fisheries.

Petitions of Harry Smith and others, of Catharine Barlow and others, of William H. James and others, and of John Moffitt and others,—severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week. Hours of labor of women and children.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition of Leland S. Maynard and others that the present system of contracting for printing for the State be abolished and a State printing house established. To the committee on Printing. State printing.

Salary of the clerk of the third district court of Bristol County.

Petition of Hosea M. Knowlton and others in aid of the petition of Thomas J. Cobb, clerk of the third district court of Bristol, that his salary may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salary of the justice of said court. To the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

International Young Men's Association Training School.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of F. H. Gillett for legislation to enable the International Young Men's Association Training School to confer appropriate degrees. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. St. John, and sent up for concurrence.

Supreme judicial court,—reporter of decisions.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending sections 57 and 58 of chapter 159 of the Public Statutes, as to relieve the reporter of decisions from reporting all decisions, and to require him to report no decision which the court shall determine is not of sufficient importance to be reported.

Dealings in margins in securities and grain.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation extending the provisions of chapter 437 of the Acts of the year 1890 and the laws in reference to gambling, so that the same will apply to dealings in margins in securities, grain, produce or other commodities, where no actual transaction is intended.

School superintendents.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and re-district the same at intervals of five or ten years.

Town of Nantucket.

By Mr. Brock of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice, on the petition of A. H. Gardner that authority may be granted to the town of Nantucket, or to private individuals, to fill up that portion of the dock between Old North and Steamboat wharves west of the Nantucket Railroad crossing.

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute the funds in the State treasury and its benefit and reserve fund equitably among its members.

Massachusetts
Benefit Association.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall permit the supreme judicial court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years.

Supreme judicial court, —
titles to land.

By Mr. Bessom of Lynn, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant. (Mr. Howard of the Senate, and Messrs. O'Neil of Chicopee and Heffernin of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Wakefield, — electric
light plant.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the printing in pamphlet form of the ye and nay votes of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth.

General Court,
— ye and nay
votes.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway street and Travers street may be abolished.

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a petition, a Resolution relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army, and that he may be placed on the retired list. (House, No. 219.)

John M.
Goodhue.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Railroads, on a Bill (introduced on leave) relating to mileage tickets, on a petition (taken from the files of last year) of I. P. Hutchinson for the passage of a bill relating to mileage tickets on railroads, and sundry petitions pertaining to the subject, a Resolution requiring the Railroad

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

Commissioners to inquire into the subject of interchangeable mileage tickets. (House, No. 220.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the adoption of the resolution.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 224.)

Manufacturing or mechanical establishments, —motive power.

By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill relating to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power. (House, No. 218.)

Connecticut River Railroad Company.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock. (House, No. 221.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Public records of parishes, towns and counties.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies ought to pass. (House, No. 223.)

State truant officer.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for a State officer to enforce the laws relating to truancy ought to pass. (House, No. 222.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts special laws.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve to provide for the republication of the first five volumes of the Massachusetts Special Laws. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Boundary lines between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich.

On motion of Mr. Keliber of Boston, the Bill to establish the boundary lines in tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich, and between said towns and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 214), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further

motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 24, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (House, No. 208) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 22, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town ;

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 435 of the Acts of the year 1887 that the determination of the period of imprisonment imposed by sentence under said section shall be vested in the discretion of the court, the same in no event to exceed a term of twenty-five years ;

On an order relative to enlarging the powers of the supreme judicial court and superior courts in the appointment of auditors ; and

On an order relative to providing for an additional sitting of the superior court in Hampden County ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Henry H. Faxon for the repeal of chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the punishment of drunkenness ; and

On the petition of Lucy Stone and others for legislation for the protection of wives against aggravated assaults and cruelty of their husbands ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus B. Tobey and others for the repeal of that portion of the law relative to solemnizing marriages which requires them to be solemnized in the town where one of the parties resides, or where the person officiating resides, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice, on the petition of Horace S. Crowell for authority to build and maintain a bridge or way in the town of Falmouth from the main land to Devil's Foot Island, and from said island to Ram Island, was, on motion of Mr. Keliber of Boston, recommitted, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell (House, No. 215) ;

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts (House, No. 216) ;

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 61) ; and

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 62) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner (Senate, No. 48) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot (House, No. 205) ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture (House, No. 209) ;

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police (House, No. 210) ; and

To authorize the preparation for the State library of an index of current events (House, No. 211) ; and the

Resolve granting county taxes (House, No. 206) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars (Senate, No. 59) ;

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 60) ; and

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the superior court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial (Senate, No. 36) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds (House, No. 204), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. The amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, substituting a bill with the same title (House, No. 217), was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan (House No. 207) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out, in section 2, line 3, the word "alluded," and inserting in place thereof the word "referred," and in line 6 by inserting, after the

word "to," the words "the loan authorized by," and as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a board of examiners of school superintendents (House, No. 212) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out, in lines 2 and 3 of section 2, the words "such school superintendency," and inserting in place thereof the words "the office of school superintendent," which was adopted.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "Section 3. This act shall not apply to cities or to towns of 10,000 inhabitants or more," which was adopted by a vote of 85 to 29.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, and the bill, as amended, was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at ten minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Mr. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a special report made by the Commissioners of Prisons, concerning the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn and the expense of maintaining and operating a system of sewage disposal, as authorized by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1890 (House, No. 233). The message was read, and with the accompanying report was referred to the committee on Prisons, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor, — Reformatory Prison for Women.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Howard of Newton, petition of the president of the Naumkeag National Bank of Salem and others in aid of the order relative to abolishing days of grace. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Days of grace.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, petition of H. J. Bliss and others of Adams for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of the South Boston Citizens' Association in aid of the Constitutional amendment recommended by the Rapid Transit Commission, in respect to the taking of private property by right of eminent domain for public improvements. To the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Constitutional amendment, — taking of land in certain cases.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and coun-
ties.

A petition, presented by Mr. Roe of Worcester, of Stephen Salisbury and others of Worcester for the re-establishment of the commission on Public Records was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Beacon Trust
Company.

The House Bill to incorporate the Beacon Trust Company (House, No. 153) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out in lines 1 and 2 of section 1 the words "W. H. Treworgy, E. P. Sanderson," and inserting in place thereof the words "William H. Treworgy, Edward P. Sanderson." On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— overseers of
the poor.

A Bill relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 66) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Annexation of
Cambridge to
Boston.

A petition of John W. Coveney that the cities of Boston and Cambridge may be united was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Town of Gard-
ner, — town
meeting.

The House petition of the selectmen of the town of Gardner that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town may be legalized, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Cornelius J.
Robbins.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Cornelius J. Robbins may be made eligible to receive State aid. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Boards of
license commis-
sioners in cities.

By Mr. Luby of Fall River, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, on an order, a Bill to make the appointment of boards of license commissioners compulsory in cities. (House, No. 232.) (Mr. Butler of the Senate dissenting.)

Shade trees.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to remove the restrictions imposed upon town and city officials in respect to the

time of marking shade trees for preservation. (House, No. 230.)

By Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long. (House, No. 231.)

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill providing for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home. (House, No. 227.)

Boston Industrial Temporary Home, — Appleton Temporary Home.

By Mr. Wood of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise. (House, No. 226.)

Newton and Boston Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes. (House, No. 229.)

Marlborough Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Golding of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) authorizing the Revere Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop (House, No. 198) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop." (House, No. 228.)

Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard (Senate, No. 65) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

George A. Barnard.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan.

Owen Dolan.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Betsey Worthington.

Betsey Worthington.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in aid of the State Normal School at Framingham ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State Normal School at Framingham.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the following order was taken from the table and considered : —

Joint special committee, — revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such members as the House may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth, so far as relates to courts inferior to the superior court [A], with a view to greater efficiency and economy in the administration of justice. Said committee shall inquire whether district courts should be further established, whether any now established may be territorially extended or reduced to public advantage, whether any such courts shall be abolished, whether salaries of justices and clerks should be raised, reduced or equalized, whether court officers should be established in any of the inferior courts aforesaid, and how such officers shall be paid, and whether trial justices can be paid by salary.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall have leave to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday of February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to amend at "A" by inserting the words "and courts of probate and insolvency," which amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

*Bills enacted and a Resolve passed.**Engrossed bills :*

Bills enacted.

Relating to the pursuing of wild fowl (which originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan ; and

To establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Augustus Barnes Resolve passed (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice, on the petition of A. H. Gardner that authority may be granted to the town of Nantucket, or to private individuals, to fill up that portion of the dock between Old North and Steamboat wharves west of the Nantucket Railroad crossing, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the report was recommitted, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence. Town of Nantucket.

On motions of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway street and Travers street may be abolished, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 24, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. Boston and Maine Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Resolution requiring the Railroad Commissioners to inquire into the subject of interchangeable mileage tickets (House, No. 220) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its adoption, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 23, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day. Railroads, — interchangeable mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 221) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Connecticut River Railroad Company.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to amend by inserting two new sections, to be numbered sections 2 and 3, as follows :—

“ *Sect. 2.* All of the shares of said increase of capital stock shall be sold at auction in the manner provided by section 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes in the case of shares of increase of capital stock which remain unsubscribed for by the stockholders.

“ *Sect. 3.* If said railroad company issues any portion of the increase of capital stock authorized by this act, said company shall modify its schedule of passenger rates so that said rates shall not exceed two cents a mile. The supreme judicial court or any justice thereof may by appropriate process in equity compel said railroad company to comply with the provisions of this act.”

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Monday next. Mr. Parker of Boston moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 24. The latter motion prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the Bill relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies (House, No. 223) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, March 25.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation extending the provisions of chapter 437 of the Acts of the year 1890, and the laws in reference to gambling, so that the same will apply to dealings in margins in securities, grain, produce or other commodities, where no actual transaction is intended, was accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending sections 57 and 58 of chapter 159 of the Public Statutes

as to relieve the reporter of decisions from reporting all decisions, and to require him to report no decision which the court shall determine is not of sufficient importance to be reported, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and redistrict the same at intervals of five or ten years ;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute the funds in the State treasury and its benefit and reserve fund equitably among its members ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall permit the supreme judicial court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years ; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the printing in pamphlet form of the yea and nay votes of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield.

The Resolution relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army, and that he may be placed on the retired list (House, No. 219), was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That the senators and representatives in Congress, of this Commonwealth, are hereby requested and instructed to use suitable efforts to have justice done to John M. Goodhue, a citizen of this Commonwealth,

and to secure the passage of an act authorizing his reappointment to the army, to be placed on the retired list from the date thereof.

Bills :

Relating to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power (House, No. 218) ;

To provide for a State officer to enforce the laws relating to truancy (House, No. 222) ; and

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 224) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell (House, No. 215) ; and

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts (House, No. 216) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 61) ; and

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 62) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner (Senate, No. 48) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, at twenty-five minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 21, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, petition of the town officers of Shirley ; and by Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, petition of the town officers of Erving, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others of Lynn in aid of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection be given to material that is now given to labor. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Liens.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, petitions of Gilbert C. Osgood of Lowell and others, of W. S. Woodbridge of Medford and others, of P. A. McKenna of Marlborough and others, of C. S. Brooks of Fitchburg and others, of P. B. Davis of Hyde Park and others, of George C. Lorimer of Boston and others, of Joel M. Leonard of Salem and others, and of W. L. Chaffin of North Easton and others, — severally, that no place shall be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship. Intoxicating liquors, — houses of religious worship.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, petition of Leland S. Maynard and others ; and by Mr. Brewer of Springfield, petition of David L. Gilbert and others, — severally, for the establishment of a State printing office. State printing.

Severally to the committee on Printing.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Pitts-
field, — grade
crossings.

A petition, presented by Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield, with the assent of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, for legislation necessary to secure the abolition of a grade crossing in said city, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Burbank, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Fire District
No. 1 of South
Hadley, — water
loan.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the prudential committee of Fire District No. 1 in the town of South Hadley for authority to make an additional water loan, in excess of the amount authorized by chapter 46 of the Acts of the present year, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buckley, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Goshen, — town
meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, of Alvan Barrus and others that certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Goshen may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hooker, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sundberg of Boston, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow : —

Joint special
committee, —
investigation of
the duties and
compensation of
officials and
employees of
administrative
boards and com-
missions and
public institu-
tions.

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House and such members as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to inquire into the subject of the compensation and duties of all officials serving upon the administrative boards and commissions of the Commonwealth and persons in their regular employ, also of all officials and regular employees of the public institutions of the Commonwealth.

Said committee shall in their report state particularly the following facts as to such officials and regular employees: (1) the time of the appointment of those now in office; (2) what compensation they received at the time of their appointment; (3) what their duties were at the time of their appointment; (4) what their present duties are; (5) what compensation they now receive; (6) whether they have any other business.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall be authorized to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday in February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate: Fire districts.

On an order relative to amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts; and

On an order relative to amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient; Tenure of office of police officers in towns.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn City of Woburn, — public cemeteries. (Senate, No. 67); and

To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 68) (Mr. Hinds of Webster, of the House, dissenting); Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts, — exemption from taxation.

Severally reported on a petition, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Embezzlement,
—brokers.

A Bill relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose (Senate, No. 70); and a

Alden E. Viles.

Resolve to confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 69);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Elections,—
closing of polls.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of W. H. Powers, by request of the Hazelwood and Clarendon Hill Citizens' Association, for legislation providing that persons within the voting rail at the time of closing the polls may be permitted to complete their act of voting, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

Petitions of Charles L. Clafin and others, and of W. A. Taylor and others,—severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

Petition of Ellen Ralph and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week. To the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Returns of
sheriffs.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the returns of sheriffs of the several counties for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wier.

Report of the
General Super-
intendent of
Prisons,—
prison labor.

By Mr. Burnham of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Burnham, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons on

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory

Prison for Women. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Crowell, and sent up for concurrence. the Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 18 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "or leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode," and inserting in place thereof the words "in hand." Poor debtors,—service of notice.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation lengthening the time within which a defendant can be defaulted in an action brought before a trial justice or any district, police or municipal court. Defaults in inferior courts.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens. Fish and game wardens.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, from the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation which shall more fully limit and control the industries carried on in the State prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum. Penal institutions,—convict labor.

By Mr. Dacey of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be employed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of correction at Cambridge upon the public account system. Cambridge house of correction,—employment of prisoners in making brushes.

By Mr. Larkin of Tolland, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the present law allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns. Boards of health in towns.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns. (House, No. 235.) Street bands.

Suffolk County,
— index com-
missioners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill to amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County. (House, No. 236.)

Town of Con-
cord, — trustees
of town dona-
tions.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to incorporate the trustees of town donations of Concord ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord." (House, No. 238.)

Horse racing.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for. (House, No. 239.)

Clerks of courts.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours. (House, No. 240.)

Massachusetts
Baptist Char-
itable Society, —
Lamson Home.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home. (House, No. 241.)

Intimidation of
laborers.

By Mr. Daley of Lynn, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers. (House, No. 242.)

Benevolent
Fraternity of
Churches
in Boston.

By Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate. (House, No. 243.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Payment of
official stenog-
raphers of the
superior court.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the payment of official stenographers of the superior court (Senate, No. 50) ought to pass.

Boards of health
in towns.

By Mr. Casey of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (introduced on leave) providing for the election of boards of health in towns ought to pass. (House, No. 237.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Public troughs
and fountains.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend the Public Statutes relating to public troughs and fountains

ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend an act to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State Board of Arbitration.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 23, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day, the Resolution requiring the Railroad Commissioners to inquire into the subject of interchangeable mileage tickets (House, No. 220). The motion prevailed. The recurring question on postponement was lost, and pending the question on the adoption of the resolution, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

Railroads, — interchangeable mileage tickets.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Rufus B. Tobey and others for the repeal of that portion of the law relative to solemnizing marriages which requires them to be solemnized in the town where one of the parties resides, or where the person officiating resides, was taken from the table and accepted.

Solemnizing of marriages.

On motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, was taken from the table.

Town of Wakefield, — electric light plant.

Mr. Carter moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain an electric light and power plant" (House, No. 244), pending which amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Bessom of Lynn, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license com-
missioners
in cities.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, the Bill to make the appointment of boards of license commissioners compulsory in cities (House, No. 232) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To establish the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court ;

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to sell and convey the real estate of said church ;

To provide and define the punishment for perjury ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building ;

Relating to the residence of registers of deeds and to the place of keeping books, records, deeds and papers belonging to their offices ; and

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes requiring presiding judges of the superior court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial ;

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars ; and

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. E. Harris that Cornelius J. Robbins may be made eligible to receive State aid, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise (House, No. 226) ;

Providing for a consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home (House, No. 227) ;

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop (House, No. 228) ;

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes (House, No. 229) ;

To remove the restrictions imposed upon town and city officials in respect to the time of marking shade trees for preservation (House, No. 230) ;

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long (House, No. 231) ; and

Relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 66) ; and the

Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard (Senate, No. 65) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 224) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up concurrence.

The Bill relating to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power (House, No. 218), was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 4, as follows: "Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Sweet of Norton, postponed for further consideration until Monday, March 28.

On motion of Mr. Sweet of Norton, at twenty-seven minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, remonstrance of John D. Long and 269 others against the annexation of Cambridge to Boston. To the committee on Cities. Annexation of Cambridge to Boston.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Marion in aid of the order relative to the protection of the scallop fisheries of said town. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Town of Marion, — scallop fisheries.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, petition of the selectmen of Marblehead for legislation increasing the penalty for the taking of stones, gravel and sand from the beaches of said town. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Town of Marblehead, — removal of stones from beaches.

By Mr. Dacey of Boston, petition of M. E. Wood and others ; by Mr. Hoar of Boston, petition of W. H. Brackett and 87 others ; by Mr. Fallon of Boston, petition of Z. Handcock and 176 others ; by Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of James Landers and others ; by Mr. Heffernin of Boston, petition of Gilbert S. Fletcher and others ; by Mr. Crowley of Boston, petition of W. A. Coggins and 151 others ; by Mr. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Thomas F. Collins and others ; by Mr. Keliher of Boston, petition of Patrick D. Sullivan and 103 others ; by Mr. Norton of Boston, petition of F. Y. Orcutt and 122 others ; by Mr. Kelly of Boston, petition of Francis Bellamy and 49 others ; by Mr. Oakes of Boston, petition of Helen Bullens and 143 others ; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Lewis A. Pope and others ; by Mr. Casey of Boston, petition of W. G. Reed and 99 others ; by Mr. Warren of Boston, petition of B. McCarthy and 166 others ; by Mr. Dyar of Municipal coal yards.

Boston, petition of Mary P. Fearing and 178 others ; by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, petition of William Lee Church and 107 others ; by Mr. Harris of Boston, petition of A. F. Butterworth and others ; by Mr. Lanigan of Boston, petition of Frederick E. Allen and 99 others ; by Mr. Prescho of Boston, petition of E. Gertrude Smith and 192 others ; by Mr. Golding of Boston, petition of L. T. Cushing and 55 others ; by Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of James McNeil and 105 others ; by Mr. Bryant of Boston, petition of G. E. C. Buffington and others ; by Mr. Quinn of Boston, petition of Theodore L. Savage and others ; by Mr. Dolan of Boston, petition of S. Haworth and 69 others ; by Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, petition of John T. Roper and 122 others ; by Mr. Gilbride of Boston, petition of W. W. Taylor and others ; by Mr. Lynch of Boston, petition of G. F. Gall and 144 others ; by Mr. Sullivan of Boston, petition of C. S. P. Dodge and 49 others ; by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petitions of Thomas Loughlin and 80 others and of James O. Stewart and 143 others ; by Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of Maurice Foley and others ; by Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, petition of J. M. Stockman and others ; by Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, petition of Albert Hess and others ; by Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, petition of James E. Stevens and 71 others ; by Mr. Savage of Lowell, petition of Allen T. Hodge and 94 others of Lowell ; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of George W. Southworth and 187 others ; and by Mr. Fall of Ipswich, petition of James H. Lakeman and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Town of
Webster, —
fire district.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, remonstrance of J. Evarts Hitchcock and others against the granting of the petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in the town of Webster. To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Wellfleet.

A petition, presented by Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, of E. F. Reed and another for authority to build a bridge from or near the Old Wharf in Wellfleet to Lieutenant's Island in Wellfleet Bay, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provi-

sions of the 9th and 12th joint rules. On motions of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the 9th and 12th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ball of Upton, of Causten Browne for legislation authorizing the organization of a new Protestant Episcopal parish in Boston under the name of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the Church of the Messiah, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ball, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Rector, Wardens
and Vestry of
the Church of
the Messiah
in Boston.

A petition, presented by Mr. Fay of Northampton, of the selectmen of Williamsburg that the proceedings of the last annual meeting of said town may be ratified and confirmed, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Wil-
liamsburg, —
town meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of John H. Manning and others, county commissioners, for a law providing for their increased expenses, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. Mr. Gillett moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended. After the debate the motion was lost by a vote of 65 to 61, four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and the petition was accordingly referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

County com-
missioners, —
increase of
salary.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was considered : —

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required to make reports upon matters referred to

Joint com-
mittees, —
final reports.

them, in accordance with the provisions of joint rule 10, be extended to Wednesday, April 6.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "April 6," and inserting in place thereof the words "March 29." The question was first put on allowing the words "April 6" to remain in the order, which was adopted by a vote of 87 to 21, and the order was adopted, in concurrence.

Savings banks,
— monthly
interest on
deposits.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly and for further amendments in respect to the division of net profits, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Town of
Hudson.

A Bill to authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt (Senate, No. 71) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Registers of
deeds and clerks
of courts.

Petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for the passage of the bill relating to the office of the register of deeds of the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

Petition of John Ingolsby and 1,000 others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-four hours a week. To the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

District and
municipal
courts, — bail in
criminal cases.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring district and municipal police courts to be kept open during the usual hours of holding such courts, for the purpose of taking bail in criminal cases.

Clerical assist-
ance for the
municipal court
of Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for additional clerical assistance for the municipal court of the city of Boston for keeping the records of investigations made by the probation officers.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, **Drunkenness, — bail fees.**
 inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing, regulating or reducing bail fees in cases of drunkenness and other misdemeanors; also of such legislation as will authorize chiefs of police, keepers of lock-ups or other responsible persons to accept bail in such cases.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, **Highways, — notice of damage from defects caused by snow and ice.**
 leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the city of Springfield and others for legislation shortening the time for notice of damage from defects in public highways caused by snow or ice. (Messrs. Parker of Boston and Wellman of Malden, dissenting.)

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, **Liens on sculpture and monumental work when set in cemeteries.**
 leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Marble and Granite Dealers' Association and others for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set in a cemetery.

By Mr. Hevey of Woburn, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Ethan Brooks and others that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage. **Disfranchisement for crime.**

By Mr. Mahoney of Boston, from the same committee, **Elections, — equal representation in the election of senators and representatives.**
 leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority. **Examination and certification of school teachers by State authority.**

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth on the question of granting liquor licenses. **Intoxicating liquors, — triennial vote on the question of granting licenses.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, **Intoxicating liquors, sale of, subjected to same restrictions as poisons.**
 inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons.

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, from the same committee, **Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.**
 inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word "Boston" in the eighth line of section

1, the words "and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election or town so voting at its annual meeting."

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to formulating the question submitted to voters in respect to licensing the sale of liquor so as to read "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city or town not exceeding one for each 500 of the population?"

Intoxicating
liquors,
sale of, as a
beverage.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of "free liquor."

Intoxicating
liquors, — pro-
hibitory law.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law. (Messrs. Woodsum of Braintree and Halley of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.)

Intoxicating
liquors, em-
ployment of
women where,
are sold.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Yates for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
abstract of the
returns of
number of
licenses issued.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the returns made by city and town clerks in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Report of the
board of police
of Boston, —
intoxicating
liquors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the board of police of the city of Boston as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons on
the State Prison.

By Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of

the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison.

By Mr. Fletcher of Belmont, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

Report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant librarian to \$3,000 per annum.

Salary of the assistant librarian of the State library.

By Mr. Hinds of Webster, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from the land by a single tax on its site rental value.

Taxation,—single tax.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings (House, No. 188) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 265.)

Grade crossings.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston. (House, No. 258.)

Assistant probation officers for the municipal court of Boston.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities and towns. (House, No. 253.)

Liens for labor performed on public works.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to prevent attorneys and counsellors-at-law and their agents from soliciting employment in cases of personal injury. (House, No. 254.)

Attorneys and counsellors-at-law,—soliciting of employment in cases of personal injury.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale. (House, No. 261.)

Security of consignments.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill for the better protection of seamen. (House, No. 260.)

Seamen.

Middlesex
County, —
sittings of the
superior court
for civil
business.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill changing the time of the sitting of the superior court for civil business for the county of Middlesex. (House, No. 255.)

Jurisdiction of
the supreme
judicial and
superior courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relative to the jurisdiction of the supreme judicial and superior courts. (House, No. 259.)

Fees for
arrest for
drunkenness.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees. (House, No. 266.)

Counterfeiting
of private
labels, stamps
and trade
marks.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, on orders and petitions, a Bill to amend an act concerning the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade marks. (House, No. 267.)

Constitutional
amendment, —
property qual-
ification for the
office of
Governor.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on a Resolve (taken from the files of last year), a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor. (House, No. 246.)

Re-recording of
certain records.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide for the re-recording of certain records. (House, No. 257.)

Suffolk County,
— salary of the
first assistant
district attor-
ney.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district. (House, No. 256.)

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on petitions, a Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses. (House, No. 262.)

Intoxicating
liquors,
sale of, in bil-
liard rooms.

By Mr. Cutler of Taunton, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor upon premises where billiards and other games are played. (House, No. 263.)

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license fees.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to the fees for licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 247.)

Evergreen
Cemetery
Association of
Stoughton.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton. (House, No. 250.)

Division No. 19,
Ancient Order
of Hibernians of
Northbridge.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize Division No. 19,

Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same. (House, No. 264.)

By Mr. Brewer of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company. (House, No. 248.)

Rockrimmon
Building
Company.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk. (House, No. 251.)

Salary of the
associate medi-
cal examiner of
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation. (House, No. 249.)

Thomas Talbot
Memorial Hall
in Billerica.

By Mr. Crosman of Athol, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the collection of taxes. (House, No. 252.)

Collection of
taxes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the use of false trade marks, labels and stamps ought to pass. (House, No. 268.)

Use of false
trade marks,
labels and
stamps.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose (Senate, No. 70) ought to pass.

Embezzlement,
— brokers.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to define exemptions from the civil service rules (Senate, No. 35) ought to pass, with the following amendment: In line 15, after the word "city" insert the words "two employees of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and two employees of the city clerk of any city."

Exemptions
from civil ser-
vice rules.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools, ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Schools, —
normal schools.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sundberg of Boston, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Joint special committee, — investigation of the duties and compensation of officials and employees of administrative boards and commissions and public institutions.

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House and such members as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to inquire into the subject of the compensation and duties of all officials serving upon the administrative boards and commissions of the Commonwealth and persons in their regular employ, also of all officials and regular employees of the public institutions of the Commonwealth.

Said committee shall in their report state particularly the following facts as to such officials and regular employees : 1. The time of the appointment of those now in office ; 2. What compensation they received at the time of their appointment ; 3. What their duties were at the time of their appointment ; 4. What their present duties are ; 5. What compensation they now receive ; 6. Whether they have any other business.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall be authorized to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday in February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Mr. Sundberg moved to amend by inserting at the end of the second paragraph the following : “ 7. Whether the salaries of any of said officials should be raised, equalized or increased, or dispensed with.”

Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke moved that the further consideration of the order be postponed until May 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, which motion was lost.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by inserting after the word “Commonwealth,” at the end of the first paragraph, the words “and also of the public institutions of the city of Boston.”

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston raised the point of order Point of order. that this amendment was beyond the scope of the order, for the reason that the order contemplated an investigation of certain institutions and public officers under the control of the State, while the amendment referred to certain institutions under the control of the city of Boston.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

Mr. Hoar of Boston raised the further point of order Id. that the amendment was not in order for the reason that the subject-matter of the amendment was included in the order as originally offered.

The Chair stated that a fair interpretation of the words "public institutions of the Commonwealth" in the order would not be intended to mean the public institutions of any city or town within the Commonwealth, and therefore declared the point of order not well taken.

Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to amend by adding at the end of the first paragraph, after the word "Commonwealth" the words "also county commissioners, county treasurers and clerks of the supreme and superior courts of the several counties."

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend by adding, at the end of the first paragraph, after the word "Commonwealth," the words "and the board of police of the city of Boston." Subsequently this amendment was withdrawn by Mr. Charles, there being no objection.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to amend by adding, at the end of the first paragraph, after the word "Commonwealth," the words "also the five-years endowment companies." Subsequently this amendment was withdrawn by Mr. Rosnosky, there being no objection.

Mr. Sundberg moved that the order be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

After debate, on motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the previous question was ordered. The amendment moved by Mr. Olmstead of Boston was rejected. The amendments moved by Messrs. Sundberg of Boston and Ruggles of Franklin were severally adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted by a vote of 127 to 14, and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Supreme judicial court,—
reporter of
decisions.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending sections 57 and 58 of chapter 159 of the Public Statutes as to relieve the reporter of decisions from reporting all decisions, and to require him to report no decision which the court shall determine is not of sufficient importance to be reported, was taken from the table and accepted.

Towns of
Mashpee and
Barnstable,—
fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the Bill (on leave) to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries in the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable" was taken from the table. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Fisheries and Game, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted.

Discharged from the Orders.

Compulsory
school age.

On motions of Mr. Charles of Boston, the report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 29, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Street railways,
— warning of
the approach of
cars.

On motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Garfield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill requiring electric cars to be provided with a continuous alarm" (House, No. 269). Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next.

On motions of Mr. Roe of Worcester, the Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

Free public
libraries, —
public docu-
ments.

On motions of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Railroads, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, the Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns (House, No. 235) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 29, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Street bands.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes (House, No. 229), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Marlborough
Street Railway
Company.

Mr. Brigham of Hudson moved to amend in section 10, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "located or commenced the construction of," and inserting in place thereof the words "constructed and operated;" also in line 7 of the same section, by striking out the word "four" and inserting in place thereof the word "five."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of Mr. Moriarty, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 29, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

*Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.***Bills enacted.**

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property ;

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power ;

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license ;

Relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking ; and

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan ; and

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the superior and supreme judicial courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to amending section 18 of chapter 162 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "or leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode," and inserting in place thereof the words "in hand ;" and

On an order relative to legislation lengthening the time within which a defendant can be defaulted in an action brought before a trial justice or any district, police or municipal court ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, and authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and for otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be employed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of correction in Cambridge upon the public account system ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the present law allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts ; and

On an order relative to amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation which shall more fully limit and control the industries carried on in the State prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum, was considered.

Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to amend by striking out the words " it is inexpedient to legislate thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words " the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court.'

The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to amend the Public Statutes relating to public troughs and fountains was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Towns, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County (House, No. 236) ;

Providing for the election of boards of health in towns (House, No. 237) ;

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord (House, No. 238) ;

Relating to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for (House, No. 239) ;

Requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours (House, No. 240) ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home (House, No. 241) ;

Relating to the payment of official stenographers of the superior court (Senate, No. 50) ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn (Senate, No. 67) ; and

To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts (Senate, No. 68) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (House, No. 242) was read a second time and considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day, by a vote of 65 to 55.

The Bill to enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 243) was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, in

section 1, line 7, by inserting after the word "amount" the words "in all," and as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds, and mortgage its property and franchise (House, No. 226) ;

Providing for a consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home (House, No. 227) ;

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop (House, No. 228) ;

To remove the restrictions imposed upon town and city officials in respect to the time of marking shade trees for preservation (House, No. 230) ; and

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long (House, No. 231) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard (Senate, No. 65) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for a State officer to enforce the laws relating to truancy (House, No. 222) was read a third time and considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, to wit : adding at the end of section 1 the words "and who shall exercise throughout the Commonwealth the authority now conferred upon the truant officers of towns ;" also striking out section 2, as follows : "*Sect. 2.* The duties and authority of this officer shall be the same in the State as the duties and authority now performed and exercised by the truant officers of the towns."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Lougee of Salem, at quarter past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Introduced on Leave.

Elections, —
precinct voting
in the election
of town officers.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, a Bill to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Bicknell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Petition Presented.

Town of
Belchertown, —
town meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Green of Belchertown, of the selectmen of Belchertown that the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Green, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider, —

Sergeant-at-Arms, — receipt and delivery of letters and packages to members of the Legislature.

(1) Whether it is in violation of the postal laws of the United States for the Sergeant-at-Arms to receive and deliver letters and packages to members of the Legislature placed in his hands by private individuals or others, and not coming through the United States mail.

(2) As to what ruling, if any, the post office department has made in reference to the reception and delivery

of letters and packages to members of the Legislature upon which the postage has not been paid.

(3) As to what person or persons, if any, have made complaint to the post office department in reference to the reception and delivery of such letters and packages upon which the postage has not been prepaid. And that the committee have power to send for persons and papers.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing the regulation by ordinance of the use of bituminous coal in said city, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the report, transmitted by the Governor, of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for epileptics, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals (House, No. 33), accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard of Boston.

A Bill to authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students (Senate, No. 75) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A petition of the water commissioners of the town of Needham that said town may be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$50,000 was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

The House petition of Alvan Barrus and others that certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Goshen may be legalized, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to legislation providing

that all lands hereafter taken by a city or town under the right of eminent domain be taken by the board or officers authorized by law to take lands for laying out streets, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the committee on Cities. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference.

Norfolk County,
— sessions of
the probate
courts.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, from the Committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to the transfer of certain sessions of probate courts from Hyde Park to Dedham, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Sessions of
probate courts
in shire towns.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to the sitting of probate courts in shire towns of the several counties, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

County of
Bristol, —
sessions of the
probate court.

By Mr. Barney of New Bedford, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of George F. Bicknell and others that the terms of the probate court of the county of Bristol may be held at Attleborough, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference.

First district
court of Eastern
Middlesex.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of Marcellus Cogan and others that the sittings of the first district court of eastern Middlesex may be changed; of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made a part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester; of Joseph V. Pease and others that the county of Dukes County may be constituted a judicial district; and of Bracey Curtis and others for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County; and recommending that the same be severally referred to the

Town of
Manchester, —
police court of
Gloucester.

Dukes County,
— judicial dis-
trict.

Norfolk County,
— judicial dis-
trict.

joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth (Messrs. Charles of Boston and Parker of Boston dissenting).

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to establishing one or more district courts to include the whole or a part of the county of Franklin, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth (Messrs. Charles of Boston and Parker of Boston dissenting).

County of Franklin, — district courts.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of orders relative to providing for the appointment of a special judge of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee to be appointed to sit during the recess on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Suffolk County, — special judge of probate and insolvency.

Severally read and laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, concerning the release of persons arrested for drunkenness and to placing cases on file or on probation.

Drunkenness, — probation officers.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 427 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to the punishment of drunkenness, that the provisions of said chapter shall apply only to such towns and cities as shall at their annual elections vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 146 of the Public Statutes, relating to divorce, by striking out therefrom the words "utter desertion continued for three consecutive years next prior to the filing of the libel."

Divorce.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation in reference to leasing of furniture, so as to provide

Leases of furniture.

that all such leases shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of any city or town in which such leased furniture shall be situated.

Rights of action
of tenants
against land-
lords in certain
cases.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when a recovery in an action of tort is had against a tenant by a party suing for injuries resulting from a defect in the rented premises for which the landlord should fairly be held reponsible, the tenant may recover from the landlord the whole or some part of the sum paid by said tenant.

Dynamite
crackers.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of dynamite crackers.

Plaintiff in
review.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 39 of chapter 187 of the Public Statutes as to require greater security from the plaintiff in review.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

Judges of
probate courts
to make rules
of procedure.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring judges of probate and insolvency to make rules for regulating the practice and for conducting the business of their courts so as to secure greater regularity and uniformity in their proceedings.

Proof of claims
in insolvency.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 32 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to the proof of claims in insolvency.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Durant.

Protection of
life in case of
fire.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888 and chapter 307 of the Acts of the year 1890 so as to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire.

Fire-escapes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888 as to provide that safe ways of egress from a burn-

ing structure to the ground shall be required by means of incombustible stairways inclosed by fire-proof walls either inside or outside of all such buildings.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of T. C. Brophy and others for a law granting the free use of halls owned by towns and cities for meetings of citizens. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wilder, and sent up for concurrence.

Free use of
halls owned by
cities and towns.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the procedure in hearings before boards of public officers and commissioners, in which testimony is taken affecting private rights or public interests (Messrs. Charles of Boston, Warren of Boston, Parker of Boston and Ashley of Westfield, dissenting).

Procedure
before adminis-
trative boards
and commis-
sions.

By Mr. Wier of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that when requested by the Civil Service Commissioners the Attorney-General shall consult and advise with them on questions of law relating to their official business.

Civil Service
Commissioners,
— Attorney-
General.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the report of the Civil Service Commissioners as relates to requesting advice from the Attorney-General in certain cases.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing or requiring all cities or cities having more than a specified population to establish and maintain public loan offices (Messrs. Warren of Boston and Parker of Boston dissenting).

Pawn brokers,
— public loan
offices.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation so as to authorize beneficiaries named in the benefit certificate issued by fraternal beneficiary organizations and others entitled to benefits thereby promised to sue therefor in their own names.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will tend to the better protection of skilled

Registration of
labels and trade
marks.

labor, and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands or devices covering the product of such labor of associations or unions for workingmen or women.

Mechanics' liens.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the method of procedure in enforcing a mechanics' lien, so that such lien may be enforced by a writ as in any action of contract.

Liability of common carriers for personal injuries.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to diminish the number of accidents occurring to persons while being carried in herdies, hacks, cabs, carriages or other public vehicles, or which will enable parties to obtain compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles.

Gambling, pool rooms and policy shops.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops.

Policy shops and lotteries.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries.

Dance halls.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring all public dance halls to be licensed by the board of aldermen or the board of selectmen of the city or town where they are located.

Admission of children at places of amusement.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation on the subject of admission of children to shows and places of amusement.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the general agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children at shows, so that children under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person.

Martin Wesson.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martin Wesson for relief under his contract with the Commonwealth dated Dec. 27, 1878.

Naturalization of aliens.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing

the fees for the naturalization of aliens (Messrs. Charles of Boston, Warren of Boston, Kilduff of Holyoke and Ashley of Westfield, dissenting).

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the same committee, Bristol County, — records of deeds.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing and requiring the county commissioners of Bristol County to cause to be made from the records in the north district copies of records of deeds, plans and instruments relative to real estate situate in Fall River prior to Jan. 1, 1892, in books to be deposited in the registry of the Fall River district.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Bills and notes, — collateral.
Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to the rights of persons holding notes with collateral in insolvency proceedings.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, from the same committee, Probate courts.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the probate court shall be always open for the transaction of business.

By Mr. Capen of Stoughton, from the same committee, Sureties on guardians' bonds.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that in all sales of real estate by guardians notice must first be given to the sureties on such guardians' bonds.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the same committee, Foreign guardians.
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that the moral character of a foreign guardian may be inquired into before the property is turned over to him.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, from the committee on School superintendency districts.
Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents.

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, from the committee on Falmouth, — wild fowl.
Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding grounds in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee Railroads, — rates of fare for legislative, judicial or executive officers.
on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the issue by railroad corporations to legislative, judicial or executive officers of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally.

Attachments, —
rights of defend-
ants.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of a special committee of the Boston associated board of trade and others for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

By Mr. Simonds of Barre, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to granting one liquor license for each 500 inhabitants of all cities or towns voting "yes" on the license question, and a petition relative to the same subject.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors," and a petition relative to the same subject.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with limiting the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston, and petitions relative to the same subject.

Taxation of
municipal
bonds.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Boston and others for the removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by the cities or towns of the Commonwealth, and so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation (Mr. Champlin of the Senate and Messrs. Meyer of Boston and Sullivan of Fall River, of the House, dissenting and submitting their views, and recommending the substitution of a bill). (On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the views of the minority and bill recommended as a substitute were ordered to be printed. See House, No. 285.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Town of
Gardner, —
town meeting.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner. (House, No. 279.)

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, on orders, a Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans. (House, No. 281.)

Discharge of small loans.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects. (House, No. 282.)

Conditional sales of furniture.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together. (House, No. 273.)

Witness fees and costs in certain cases.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding. (House, No. 277.) (Mr. Warren of Boston dissenting.)

Gilded ware.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate. (House, No. 276.)

Holyhood Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill providing for a notice to be given under section 21 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes. (House, No. 283.)

Intoxicating liquors.—liability for damage.

By Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill for the prevention of cruelty to children. (House, No. 284.)

Cruelty to children.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk. (House, No. 275.)

Suffolk County,—register of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill to amend section 8 of chapter 17 of the Public Statutes relating to the duties of the Attorney-General. (House, No. 278.)

Duties of the Attorney-General.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness. (House, No. 280.)

Trial justices,—jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton. (House, No. 270.)

Annexation of a part of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton.

Fire District
No. 1 of North
Attleborough,—
water loan.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on petitions, a Bill to authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 272.)

Town of
Reading,—
water loan.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 274.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Educational
and religious
societies.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control, and to enforce regulations concerning the same (Senate, No. 34) ought to pass.

Alden E. Viles.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace (Senate No. 69) ought to pass.

Owen Dolan.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan ought to pass. (House, No. 271.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Retirement of
judges of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties.

Soldiers and
sailors,—burial
expenses.

By Mr. Heffernan of Fall River, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions.

Map of con-
gressional
districts.

By Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Printing, on orders, a Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taxation of
houses of re-
ligious worship.

By Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relating to the exemption of houses of religious worship from taxation ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to provide for a State officer to enforce the laws relating to truancy (House, No. 222). After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 63 to 96.

District police,
—truancy officer.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. McEvoy of Lowell moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to make the appointment of boards of license commissioners compulsory in cities (House, No. 232). After debate, the motion was lost.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license commis-
sioners in
cities.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Halley of Lawrence, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Intoxicating
liquors, — pro-
hibitory law.

On motions of Mr. Roe of Worcester, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant librarian to \$3,000 per annum, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 30, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Salary of the
assistant
librarian of the
State library.

On motions of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Savings banks,
— monthly
interest on
deposits.

On motion of Mr. Wier of Lowell, the Bill changing the time of the sitting of the superior court for civil business for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 255) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a sus-

Middlesex
County, —
sitting of the
superior court
for civil busi-
ness.

pension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

**Intoxicating
liquor,—agents.**

On motion of Mr. Morse of Holden, the Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses (House, No. 262) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Morse moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday, March 30. Mr. Warren of Boston moved that the further consideration be postponed until Friday next. Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg moved that the further consideration be postponed until Thursday, March 31. The question was first put upon the most remote time, and the motion of Mr. Rockwell prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 31.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

**Orders of the
day.**

On an order relative to providing for additional clerical assistance for the municipal court of the city of Boston for keeping the records of investigations made by the probation officers ;

On an order relative to legislation requiring district and municipal police courts to be kept open during the usual hours of holding such courts for the purpose of taking bail in criminal cases ; and

On an order relative to abolishing, regulating or reducing bail fees in cases of drunkenness and other misdemeanors ; also of such legislation as will authorize chiefs of police, keepers of lock-ups or other responsible persons to accept bail in such cases ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

On the petitions of the Marble and Granite Dealers' Association and others for a lien law to apply to all sculpture and monumental work when set in a cemetery ; and

On the petitions of the city of Springfield and others for legislation shortening the time for notice of damage from defects in public highways caused by snow or ice ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Ethan Brooks and others that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage ; and

On the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary :

On the abstract of the returns made by city and town clerks in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

On so much of the seventh annual report of the board of police of the city of Boston as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

On the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors ;

On the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of free liquor ; and

On the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Yates for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons ; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word " Boston," in the eighth line of section 1, the words " and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election or town so voting at its annual meeting ; "

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from the land by a single tax on its site rental value ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation (House, No. 249) ;

To incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton (House, No. 250) ;

Relating to the collection of taxes (House, No. 252) ;

Concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns (House, No. 253) ;

To provide for the re-recording of certain records (House, No. 257) ;

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 258) ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the supreme judicial and superior courts (House, No. 259) ;

For the better protection of seamen (House, No. 260) ;

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same (House, No. 264) ;

To prevent the use of false trade marks, labels and stamps (House, No. 268) ;

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose (Senate, No. 70); and

To authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt (Senate, No. 71);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County (House, No. 236);

Requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours (House, No. 240);

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home (House, No. 241); and

To enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 243);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the payment of official stenographers of the superior court (Senate, No. 50) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn (Senate, No. 67) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, to wit: in section 2, line 17, by striking out the word "removal" and inserting in place thereof the word "renewal;" also in section 3, line 2, by inserting after the word "amended" the words "by striking out the word 'town,' in the first line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word 'city,' also."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the East Boston Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 155) was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Pending the question on the adoption of the pending amendment moved by Mr. Chance of Boston to the bill

Point of order.

recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Mr. Wood of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the original petition referred to and considered by the committee.

The Chair (Mr. Tucker of New Bedford) stated that the petition on which the bill was reported asked that the charter of the East Boston Company be so amended that there shall be no ambiguity therein as to the use of the words "Noddle's Island," and further that these words may be changed to "East Boston" wherever necessary, and ruled that the proposition contained in the amendment was beyond the scope of the original petition and that the point of order was well taken. The amendment was ruled out.

The bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was substituted.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Section 3.* This act shall not be construed so as to authorize the purchase or holding of any other land than that to which said company now has legal or equitable title."

After debate, pending the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The Bill to make the appointment of boards of license commissioners compulsory in cities (House, No. 232) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. McAnally of Lawrence moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissions in the several cities of the Commonwealth" (House, No. 245), pending which, Mr. Coakley of Cambridge moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the bill moved as an amendment by Mr. McAnally was substituted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Delaney of Fall River, petitions of Joseph Gee and 20 others, of William Kershaw and 21 others, of John J. Boardman and 36 others, of Walter Graham, Jr., and 40 others, of James Graham and 21 others, of John J. Duvally, Jr., and 11 others, of Annie Sullivan and 21 others, of Thomas Jennings and 41 others, of James Taylor and 21 others, of Michael Fitzpatrick and 21 others, of John Dreghorn and 21 others, and of Robert Potts and 21 others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, petitions of George J. Kelley and 1,016 others, and of William H. King and others of Haverhill; by Mr. Hoar of Boston, petition of C. C. Mitchell and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Breen of Boston, petition of Arthur L. Lougee and others of Boston; by Mr. Burke of Quincy, petition of P. J. Cahill and 156 others of Quincy; by Mr. Ackley of Fitchburg, petition of George M. Grant and 109 others of Fitchburg; by Mr. Leonard of Waltham, petition of Harry J. Wetherbee and others of Waltham; by Mr. Warren of Boston, petition of W. T. Mills and 135 others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Norton of Boston, petition of P. A. Cushing and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Bartlett of Lynn, petition of John W. Gibboney and others of Lynn; by Mr. Bryant of Boston, petition of Martha G. Champlin and others of Boston; by Mr. Dolan of Boston, petition of William A. Patton and others of Boston; by Mr. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Patrick Doody and others of Boston; by Mr. Brock of Lynn,

Municipal coal
yards.

petition of G. M. Abbott and others of Lynn; by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, petitions of John B. Goffy and 109 others of Wakefield, and of M. G. Nolen and 133 others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, petition of Wallace Osborne and others of Lynn and vicinity; by Mr. Graham of Quincy, petition of Arthur E. Linnell and others of Quincy and vicinity; by Mr. McSolla of Boston, petition of A. W. Mitchell and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Parker of Methuen, petition of Ellen P. Blessington and others of Haverhill; by Mr. Golding of Boston, petition of D. E. McGowan and others of Boston; by Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of F. W. Gregory and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Brogan of Boston, petition of N. S. Banfield and 78 others of Boston; by Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, petition of Elisha Pratt and others of North Weymouth and vicinity; by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of N. J. Colgan and 112 others of Wollaston; by Mr. Mooney of Boston, petitions of Luther W. Bixby and others, of Ruth H. Brady and others, of Ernest A. Hall and others, of H. E. Warren and others, and of C. E. Stevenson and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, petitions of Edward Doyle and others, and of Warren McClure and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, petition of Charles A. Buckley and 36 others of Chicopee; by Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petition of Harry W. Turner and others of Lynn and vicinity; by Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, petition of Charles A. Sanborn and others of Boston; by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, petition of P. E. Millay and others of Hudson; by Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, petition of J. Whittier and others of Beverly; by Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, petition of John M. Burke and others of Marlborough; by Mr. Hale of Tyringham, petition of N. W. Millard and others of Otis; by Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston, petition of George C. Draper and 75 others of Boston; by Mr. Melaven of Worcester, petition of Herbert McIntosh and 41 others of Worcester; by Mr. Simonds of Barre, petitions of L. Hildreth and others of West Newton and Petersham, and of Daniel Curtis and 29 others of Petersham; and by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of George Bartlett and others of Boston and vicinity, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions, presented by Mr. Ashley of Westfield, of Franklin County, — district court.
E. A. Hall and others and of G. D. Crittenden and others, — severally, in aid of the order for the establishment of a district court in Franklin County, were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid over from yesterday, was adopted : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider :

(1) Whether it is in violation of the postal laws of the United States for the Sergeant-at-Arms to receive and deliver letters and packages to members of the Legislature placed in his hands by private individuals or others, and not coming through the United States mail. Sergeant-at-Arms, — receipt and delivery of letters and packages to members of the Legislature.

(2) As to what ruling, if any, the post-office department has made in reference to the reception and delivery of letters and packages to members of the Legislature upon which the postage has not been paid.

(3) As to what person or persons, if any, have made complaint to the post-office department in reference to the reception and delivery of such letters and packages upon which the postage has not been prepaid. And that the committee have power to send for persons and papers.

The following order, offered by Mr. Coburn of Lowell, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge : —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to travel to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Manufactures.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the Senate committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference. Middlesex County, — truant school.

Williamstown
Savings Bank.

A Bill to incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank (Senate, No. 78) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Manual training
and industrial
education.

A report of the commission appointed to investigate the subject of manual training and industrial education was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Town of
Hanover, —
Australian sys-
tem of voting
for town offi-
cers.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of
Williamsburg,
—town meeting.

The House petition of the selectmen of Williamsburg that the proceedings of the last annual meeting of said town may be ratified and confirmed, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Elections, —
registrars of
voters.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, from the committee on the Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving boards of registrars of voters in cities the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers and of all election machinery. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Merritt.

Report of State
Pension Agent.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, from the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jackson.

Report of the
trustees of the
Perkins Institu-
tion and Massan-
chusetts School
for the Blind.

By Mr. Fletcher of Belmont, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Clark of Palmer.

Report of the
trustees of the
Northampton
Lunatic Hos-
pital.

By Mr. Fay of Northampton, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the 36th annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Report of the
trustees of the

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the report of

the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891. State Farm at
Bridgewater.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Fay.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, and petitions relating to the subject. (Mr. Barrows of Wareham, of the House, dissenting.) Buzzard's Bay,
—fisheries.

By Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation prohibiting the pursuing of wild fowl with a steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam. Wild fowl.

By Mr. Easland of Great Barrington, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning fines for imperfect weaving. Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

By Mr. Cannon of Lawrence, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies. Sons of
Veterans.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade. Sergeant Wil-
liam H. Carney
Camp, No. 82,
Sons of Veter-
ans.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve (taken from the files of last year) granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association. Thirty-fifth
Massachusetts
Regiment
Association.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic. Arsenic.

By Mr. McSolla of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined and a more equitable Civil service
rules.

recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured.

Railroad corporations, — annual reports.

By Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports.

Exemption from taxation of the interest of the mortgagee in real estate.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section five of said chapter shall be exempt from taxation.

Collection of poll taxes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice.

Town of Barre, — water supply district.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elihu T. Sawyer and 65 others of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply and to organize a water supply district in the said town.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Somerville, — paving.

By Mr. Perkins of Somerville, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money for paving Somerville and Webster avenues in excess of the limit allowed by law. (House, No. 286.)

Hours of labor of street railway employees.

By Mr. Jenks of Shelburne, from the committee on Labor, on orders and a petition, a Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor-men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town. (House, No. 294.)

Hours of labor of railroad employees.

By Mr. Daley of Lynn, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees. (House, No. 297.) (Mr. Green of Belcher-town, of the House, dissenting.)

West Congregational Society of Warren.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren. (House, No. 289.)

By Mr. Dyar of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the abolition of the grade crossing of St. Mary's street in Brookline and the Boston and Albany Railroad. (House, No. 287.)

Boston and Albany Railroad, — grade crossing in Brookline.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company. (House, No. 296.)

Plymouth County Railroad Company.

By Mr. McSolla of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district. (House, No. 295.)

Salary of the assistant clerk of the South Boston municipal court.

By Mr. Norton of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on an order, a Bill to enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases. (House, No. 288.)

Street railway companies, — funded debts.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures. (House, No. 298.)

Town of Abington, — water bonds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill to amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10) ought to pass.

Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ought to pass. (House, No. 300.)

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William H. Robison ought to pass. (House, No. 290.)

William H. Robison.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Betsey Worthington ought to pass. (House, No. 291.)

Betsey Worthington.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ought to pass. (House, No. 292.)

State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ought to pass. (House, No. 293.)

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for certain repairs and

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Senate, No. 51) ought to pass.

Soldiers and
sailors, — burial
expenses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions ought to pass. (House, No. 303.)

Map of congress-
sional districts.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ought to pass. (House, No. 299.)

State Normal
School at
Frammingham.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Resolve in aid of the State Normal School at Frammingham ought to pass. (House, No. 301.)

Normal Art
School.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building ought to pass. (House, No. 302.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
special laws.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for the re-publication of the first five volumes of the Massachusetts special laws ought not to pass.

Volunteer
militia.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia ought not to pass.

Poisons.

By Mr. Larkin of Tolland, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (introduced on leave) regulating the sale and purchase of poisons ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

Vaccination.

On motion of Mr. Casey of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was taken from the table. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill allowing school committees to exclude at their

discretion unvaccinated children from the public schools" (House, No. 304), pending which amendment the report was, on further motion of Mr. Casey, laid on the table.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to providing that when requested by the Civil Service Commissioners, the Attorney-General shall consult and advise with them on questions of law relating to their official business; and

Civil Service
Commissioners,
— Attorney-
General.

On so much of the Civil Service Commissioners' report as relates to requesting advice from the Attorney-General in certain cases;

The motions were lost.

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans. (House, No. 281.) The motion was lost.

Discharge of
small loans.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to diminish the number of accidents occurring to persons while being carried in herdies, hacks, cabs, carriages or other public vehicles, or which will enable parties to obtain compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, April 1, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Liability of
common car-
riers for per-
sonal injuries.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the fees for the naturalization of aliens, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Naturalization
of aliens.

Annexation of
a part of West
Bridgewater to
Brockton.

On motion of Mr. Jennison of Weston, the Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 30, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of
municipal
bonds.

On motions of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Boston and others for the removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by the cities or towns of the Commonwealth (and so much of the report of the treasurer and receiver-general as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 30, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Authorizing the transfer of cases in the supreme judicial court ;

To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop ; and

To annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of George A. Barnard (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation so as to authorize beneficiaries named in the benefit certificate issued by fraternal beneficiary organizations and others entitled to benefits thereby promised, to sue therefor in their own name ; and Orders of the day.

On an order relative to authorizing and requiring the county commissioners of Bristol County to cause to be made from the records in the north district, copies of records of deeds, plans and instruments relative to real estate situate in Fall River prior to January 1, 1892, in books to be deposited in the registry of the Fall River district ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martin Wesson for relief under his contract with the Commonwealth, dated December 27, 1878 ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the rights of persons holding notes with collateral in insolvency proceedings ;

On an order relative to providing that the probate court shall be always open for the transaction of business ;

On an order relative to legislation providing that in all sales of real estate by guardians notice must first be given to the sureties on such guardians' bonds ; and

On an order relative to legislation providing that the moral character of a foreign guardian may be inquired into before the property is turned over to him ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth on the question of granting liquor licenses ; and

On an order relative to formulating the question submitted to voters in respect to licensing the sale of liquor so as to read " Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city or town not exceeding one for each 500 of the population ? "

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of J. H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the issue by railroad corporations to legislative, judicial or executive officers of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway street and Travers street may be abolished ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district (House, No. 256) ;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings (House, No. 265) ;

To amend an act concerning the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade marks (House, No. 267) ;

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan (House, No. 272) ;

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together (House, No. 273) ;

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan (House, No. 274) ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 275) ;

To enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate (House, No. 276) ;

To amend section 8 of chapter 17 of the Public Statutes relating to the duties of the Attorney-General (House, No. 278) ;

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness (House, No. 280) ;

For the prevention of cruelty to children (House, No. 284);

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same (Senate, No. 34); and

To authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students (Senate, No. 75); and the

Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan (House, No. 271);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord (House, No. 238);

To incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton (House, No. 250);

Relative to the jurisdiction of the supreme judicial and superior courts (House, No. 259); and

To provide for the re-recording of certain records (House, No. 257);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 66); and

To authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt (Senate, No. 71);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill for the better protection of seamen (House, No. 260) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 5, to wit: "*Section 5.* This act shall take effect upon its passage," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps (House, No. 268) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 2, to wit: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the boundary lines in tide water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich, and between said towns and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 214), was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Keliher of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to define and establish the boundary line in tide water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich " (House, No. 225).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 98 to 53, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 221) was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, to insert a new section, to be numbered section 2, was adopted by a vote of 91 to 19, to wit: "*Sect. 2.* All of the shares of said increase of capital stock shall be sold at auction in the manner provided by section 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes in the case of shares of increase of capital stock which remain unsubscribed for by the stockholders."

The following pending amendment, moved by the same gentleman, was considered, to wit: add a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3.* If said railroad company issues any portion of the increase of capital stock authorized by this act, said company shall modify its schedule of passenger rates so that said rates shall not exceed two cents a mile. The supreme judicial court or any justice thereof may by appropriate process in equity compel said railroad company to comply with the provisions of this act."

Point of order.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park raised the point of order that the amendment was in violation of House Rule 89, for the reason that it was not germane to the subject under consideration, and quoted from the House Journal of the year 1889, page 309, where it appeared that a bill to authorize the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was under consideration; that an amendment was moved to insert a new section providing for limiting the rate of fares to be charged to two

cents per mile for passenger transportation ; that a point of order was raised that said amendment was not germane, and the point of order was declared well taken.

The Speaker ruled as follows : The Chair will state, that the matter cited as a precedent by the gentleman from Hyde Park happens to be in the mind of the Chair, as the present incumbent made the decision referred to. At that time, as the Chair remembers it, the gentleman in the second division (Mr. Mellen) moved to insert in the bill a section, that the rate of fare of the Boston and Albany Railroad should be reduced to two cents per mile. The Chair was of the opinion then, and still thinks, that he properly ruled the amendment out of order because it was beyond the scope of the petition. He then stated to the gentleman that if he had put his proposed section in a slightly different form it would have been in order.

The amendment which is now offered is in order for this reason. It does not compel the Connecticut River Road to reduce its fares, but simply says, "If you wish to exercise the power which we propose to grant, it can only be done under certain conditions."

The Chair finds on page 944 of the Journal of 1890 an almost parallel case, where the Chair stated his meaning in clear terms under the following circumstances :—

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness, outside its debt limit, to erect and furnish school-houses, was under consideration, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. On the point of order raised by Mr. Bowman of Boston, that the bill was broader in its scope than the petition on which it was based, the Speaker stated that the section of the bill to which the parliamentary objection was raised was simply a proviso in the bill restricting the powers conferred ; that the House has the right to insert restrictive provisions in the bill so long as the powers conferred by the bill are within the scope of the matter referred and considered by the committee. He therefore ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

In other words, the Connecticut River road, if it asks the House to grant an increase of capital stock, has a perfect right to expect and demand that this House under that condition should not pass a law compelling that road to reduce its fares. But if the House, in its wisdom, sees fit to grant that increase of stock, it can put upon that grant any conditions which it sees fit.

If the section should be inserted, the Connecticut River road is not obliged to issue capital stock, and not obliged to reduce its fares; but the Legislature would say, if the road wishes to increase its capital stock, it must return for that grant something to the people of the Commonwealth, to wit, that its fares should be reduced.

The Chair is of the opinion that the point of order is not well taken, and that the amendment is in order.

After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, was further considered. Pending the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, being a "Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain an electric light and power plant" (House, No. 244), the House, —

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, at half-past four o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Shutesbury for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, petition of E. H. Reed and others that the present lien law be so amended or altered that a lien may attach for materials as well as labor. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Liens.

By Mr. Heffernan of Fall River, petitions of James Leach and others, of Thomas Roberts and others, of William Lennon and others, of W. F. Kennedy and others, of Benjamin Forster and others, of Annie Kerso and others, of P. H. Murphy and others, of Richard Sullivan and others, of I. R. B. Newton and others, of James Owen and others, of Mary Welch and others, of Ellen Cockcroft and others, of Samuel Tattersall and others, of Mary Leary and others, of James Connell and others, of Stephen Hill and others, of F. A. Spencer and others, of Katie Jenkins and others, of Eli Paquin and others, of W. H. Pemberton and others, of E. L. Lagorell and others, of John Fitzgerald and others, of Edward Kirkham and others, of George J. Wheeler and others, of Rebecca Cowell and others, of W. H. Washurst and others, of F. Sullivan and others, of Alfred Wood and others, and of Samuel Pilkington and others,—severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours per week. Hours of labor of women and children.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Municipal coal
yards.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, petitions of N. W. Green and others, of Louis Schwörer and others, and of M. Olsen and others of Boston; by Mr. Mooney of Boston, petition of J. H. Finch and others of Boston; by Mr. Toomey of Boston, petition of Edwin F. Carr and others of Boston; by Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, petitions of John Deyo and others, and of M. W. Landers and others of Springfield; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, petition of L. M. Jenkins and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Ivers Gibbs and others of Worcester; by Mr. Hoar of Boston, petition of C. E. Sanger and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Kelly of Boston, petition of Thomas F. Flynn and others of Boston; by Mr. Giles of Somerville, petition of S. H. Ackerman and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of Mrs. Thomas Clinton and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Lynch of Boston, petition of J. A. Hamilton and others of Boston; by Mr. Bliss of Boston, petition of William T. Wyman and others of Boston; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of C. E. Abbott and others of Boston; by Mr. Chance of Boston, petition of George A. Spencer and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Daley of Lynn, petition of Samuel Deacon and others of Lynn and vicinity; by Mr. Gilbride of Boston, petitions of Alexander Campbell and others, of Barbara Brown and others, and of Thomas Hanigan and others of Boston, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Somerville, — paving.

A petition, presented by Mr. Giles of Somerville, of Warren J. Robinson and others in aid of the petition of the mayor of Somerville that said city may be authorized to raise a sum not exceeding \$100,000 in excess of the limit fixed by law, to cover the cost of paving on Somerville and Webster avenues, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

City of Boston,
— indemnity
for injuries
received while
assisting police
officers.

A petition, presented by Mr. Wood of Boston, of the mayor of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr.

Wood, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Coburn of Lowell, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to travel to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee moved to amend by inserting after the word "Pennsylvania," the words "also within the Commonwealth," which amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor with the advice of the Council during the year 1891, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Burnham of Boston. List of pardons.

Reports :

Of the Senate committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, on the petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of John W. Pettengill and others for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of Eastern Middlesex ; and Middlesex County, officers in attendance upon district courts of eastern.

Of the Senate committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, on the subject-matter of an order relative to amending the Public Statutes in chapter 156, section 48, clause 15, so as to provide that regular sessions of the probate court for the county of Worcester shall be held at Worcester upon the first, second, and third Tuesdays of each month, except the month of August, and that sessions now provided for to be held at Milford, Templeton and Barre be discontinued ; Worcester County, — sessions of the probate court.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference, under a suspension of the rule in each case.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth :

Town of Dana,
— first district
court of North-
ern Worcester.

On the petition of D. L. Richards and others that the town of Dana may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ; and

Town of West-
minster, — first
district court of
Northern
Worcester.

On the petition of E. S. Kendall and others that the town of Westminster may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ; and

Salary of the
judge of probate
and insolvency
for Franklin
County.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, on the petition of Chester C. Conant, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule in each case.

Public libraries,
— vacancies on
boards of trust-
ees.

A report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition of Robert S. Gray and others for legislation providing that vacancies in boards of trustees of public libraries may be filled by a joint ballot of selectmen and said board of trustees, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw :

Constitutional
amendment, —
educational
prerequisite for
voting.

On the petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled ; and

Constitutional
amendment, —
residence as a
qualification for
voting.

On the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting ;

Liens.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191

of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material;

Of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards;

Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

Of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty; and

Prisons, — number of prisoners employed in the manufacture of harnesses.

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a form of charter for large towns which shall require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns;

Town charters.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills:

Prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) (reported on orders);

Appointment of non-residents as police officers.

To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 80) (reported on petitions); and

City of New Bedford, — parks.

To authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor (Senate, No. 74) (reported on a petition);

Town of Clinton, — water supply.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolution relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army and to place him on the retired list (Senate, No. 98) (being a new draft of

John M. Goodhue.

a resolution adopted by the House, House, No. 219), adopted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House order:—

Railroad corporations,—
free passes to
members of the
General Court.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring each railroad corporation operating any railroad in the Commonwealth to furnish a free pass over such railroad to each member of the General Court, which shall hold good during such member's term of office.

Rector, Wardens and Vestry
of the Church
of the Messiah
in Boston.

Notice was also received that the House petition of Causten Browne for legislation authorizing the organization of a new Protestant Episcopal parish in Boston under the name of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the Church of the Messiah, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Town of
Belchertown,—
town meeting.

The House petition of the selectmen of Belchertown that the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town may be legalized, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Report of the
joint special
committee of
1891,— registra-
tion of land
titles.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto (Senate, No. 79) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

A petition of Hannah Storey and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Elections,—
ballots.

By Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that ballots thrown at any election and in the custody of city and

town clerks, according to the provisions of law, shall at any time be brought into court by such clerk upon the order of the judge, to be used at trials for offences against the election laws. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kohlrausch.

By Mr. Hart of Lawrence, from the same committee, Elections,—ballots. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 81 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing for an increase in the weight of the paper furnished for ballots, or that paper specially prepared for the purpose shall be furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth for use at all State, city and town elections. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hart.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 38th annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Elections,—self-registering of ballots. Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot boxes furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex. Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns,—indebtedness for highways. Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing towns to incur indebtedness in excess of the limit fixed by law for constructing highways with a view to the wants of the future.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Lowe of Saugus, from the committee on Banks West Lynn Trust Company. and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company. (House, No. 309.)

Salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk. (House, No. 308.)

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton. (House, No. 306.)

Salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district. (House, No. 307.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Harry W. Welch.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch.

David S. Beetle.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle.

Salary of the Commissioner of State Aid.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Public Service, on so much of the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts as relates to the salary of the State Aid Commissioner, a Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid.

Salaries of the justices of the superior court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the superior court.

Street railway companies, — annual reports.

By Mr. Norton of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on an order, a Bill requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating liquors, — license commissioners in cities.

On motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, the Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissioners in the several cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 245) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 96 to 24. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments, to wit: In section 1, line 102, strike out the words "for malfeasance, incapacity," and insert in place thereof the words "by the mayor for cause;" also in line 104 of the same section, strike out the words "by the mayor."

The amendments were severally adopted, and pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of Mr. McAnally, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire ; Bills enacted.

Relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator ;

To authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds ;

Providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge ; and

Giving the probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the supreme judicial court in equity in relation to trusts ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation requiring all public dance halls to be licensed by the board of aldermen or the board of selectmen of the city or town where they are located ; and Orders of the day.

On an order relative to such legislation as will tend to the better protection of skilled labor, and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands or devices covering the product of such labor of associations or unions for workingmen or women ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of a special committee of the Boston associated board of trade and others for such modifi-

cation of the law of attachment as will more securely guard the rights of defendants ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation prohibiting the pursuing of wild fowl with a steam yacht, or other boat or vessel propelled by steam ;

On an order relative to so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, and petitions relating to the subject ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve (taken from the files of last year) granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined, and a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section 5 of said chapter shall be exempt from taxation ; and

On an order relative to providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elihu T. Sawyer and others of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply, and to organize a water supply district in the said town ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk (House, No. 251) ;

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees (House, No. 266) ;

To amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 282) ;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline and the Boston and Albany Railroad (House, No. 287) ;

To enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases (House, No. 288) ;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren (House, No. 289) ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district (House, No. 295) ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company (House, No. 296) ;

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures (House, No. 298) ;

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (House, No. 300) ;

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions (House, No. 303) ; and

To incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank (Senate, No. 78) ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 69) ;

In favor of William H. Robison (House, No. 290) ;

In favor of Betsey Worthington (House, No. 291) ;

In favor of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton (House, No. 292) ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 293) ;

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts (House, No. 299) ;

In aid of the State Normal School at Framingham (House, No. 301) ;

Providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building (House, No. 302) ; and

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Senate, No. 51);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend section 8 of chapter 17 of the Public Statutes relating to the duties of the Attorney-General (House, No. 278) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so that it read "Bill authorizing certain boards and commissions to require the opinion of the Attorney-General;")

Relating to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for (House, No. 239);

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same (House, No. 264);

To prevent the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade marks (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) (House, No. 267);

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together (House, No. 273);

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan (House, No. 274);

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 275); and

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness (House, No. 280); and the

Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan (House, No. 271);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students (Senate No. 75); and

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose (Senate, No. 70);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (taken from the files of last year) relating to the exemption of houses of religious worship from taxa-

tion was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

- The Bill (introduced on leave) regulating the sale and purchase of poisons was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Service, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings (House No. 265) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by inserting in section 1, line 6, after the word "may," the words "in the case of a city by vote of the city council, and in the case of a town," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Pending the question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, to substitute a "Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain an electric light and power plant" (House, No. 44), Mr. Bessom of Lynn raised the point of order that the bill moved as a substitute was not in order, for the reason that it was beyond the scope of the petition referred to and considered by the committee; that the petition simply asked that the town of Wakefield may be authorized to establish a plant to furnish electric light, whereas the bill moved as a substitute authorizes said town to furnish, in addition to electric light, electric power. Point of order.

The Chair declared the point of order well taken, and the bill moved as a substitute was ruled out.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

The Bill relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies (House, No. 223) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records" (House, No. 234).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Perkins of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading.

The Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (House, No. 242) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to amend in lines 4 and 5, after the word "verbal," by inserting the words "to join or;" also in line 8, after the word "corporation," by inserting the words "or for any other purpose whatsoever."

Mr. Sprague of Boston moved to amend, in line 8, by inserting, after the word "corporation," the following words: "Or any person or agent or officer on behalf of any organization who shall hereafter coerce or compel any person or persons to enter into an agreement, either written or verbal, not to work for or enter into the employ of any person or corporation; or any person or agent or officer on behalf of any organization who shall coerce or compel any person working for or in the employ of any person or corporation to leave such employment."

Point of order.

Mr. McLoughlin of Milford raised the point of order that the amendment moved by the gentleman from Boston was out of order, inasmuch as the order on which the bill was based contemplated that an agent, officer, person or corporation shall not coerce or compel a person to enter into an agreement not to join or become a member of any labor organization as a condition of employment; while the amendment offered provided that an agent or officer of any organization shall not compel employees to make an agreement not to enter into or leave the employ of any corporation.

Pending the question of order, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at quarter before three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, March 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The 39th annual report of the Secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Agriculture, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Secretary of the
State Board of
Agriculture.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Charles of Boston, a resolution of the common council of Boston in aid of the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that said city may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for public park purposes at the North End. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— public park
at the North
End.

By Mr. Hale of Tyringham, petition of the town officers of Monterey and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, petitions of J. A. Glennon and others of Littleton, C. F. Smith and others of Fitchburg, C. E. King and others of Leominster, A. Martin and others of Lawrence, J. H. Hancock and others of Lawrence, of C. E. Potter and others, Edward Blaney and others and C. H. Harvey and others,—severally, for regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees.

Hours of labor
of paper mill
employees.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, of the board of health of the city of Lynn for legislation

City of Lynn,—
inspector of
provisions.

authorizing the appointment and control of an inspector of provisions by said board, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bacheller, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Peabody.

A petition, presented by Mr. Appleton of Peabody, of the selectmen of Peabody that said town may be authorized to refund to the heirs of John Keefe a portion of the amount paid by said Keefe for a liquor license, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Appleton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Melrose, —
town hall bonds.

A petition, presented by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, of the selectmen of Melrose that said town may be authorized to refund a portion of its town hall bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Melrose, —
water debt.

A petition, presented by the same gentleman, of the selectmen of Melrose that said town may be authorized to refund a portion of its water fund bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Stoughton, —
town meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of William O. Faxon and others of Stoughton that a vote of said town relative to purchasing the property of the Stoughton Water Company may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion

of Mr. Powers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of James A. Lakin that the salary of Samuel B. Spooner, register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, may be increased, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Salary of the register of probate and insolvency for Hampden County.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county ; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom ; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts ; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts ; provided, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown ; and

Clerks of courts, — registers of deeds.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms ;

Intoxicating liquors, — public schools.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Malden,
— parks.

A Bill to authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 82) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Suffolk County,
— sittings of the
probate courts.

A Bill fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 81) (being a new draft of a House bill with a similar title, House, No. 138), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

A Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 85) (reported on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the World's Columbian Exposition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Compensation
of members of
the State Dairy
Bureau.

The House Bill providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau (House, No. 166) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: In section 1, striking out, in line 9, the words "included in," and inserting in place thereof the words "paid from;" also inserting in line 10, after the word "by," the words "section eight of," in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House order:—

Joint special
committee, —
investigation of
the duties and
compensation of
officials and
employees of
administrative
boards and com-
missions and
public institu-
tions.

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House and such members as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to inquire into the subject of compensation and duties of all officials serving upon the administrative boards and commissions of the Commonwealth and persons in their regular employ; also of all officials and regular employees of the public institutions of the Commonwealth; also county commissioners, county treasurers and clerks of the supreme and superior courts for the several counties.

Said committee shall in their report state particularly the following facts as to such officials and regular employees: 1. The time of the appointment of those now in office; 2. What compensation they received at the time of their appointment; 3. What their duties were at the time of their appointment; 4. What their present duties are; 5. What compensation they now receive; 6. Whether they have any other business; 7. Whether the salaries of any of said officials should be raised, equalized, or reduced or dispensed with.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall be authorized to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday in February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Notice was also received that the House petition of E. F. Reed and another for authority to build a bridge from or near Old Wharf in Wellfleet to Lieutenant's Island in Wellfleet Bay had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Wellfleet, — bridge to Lieutenant's Island.

A petition of N. W. Matthews and others for an act of incorporation as the Primitive Methodist Church of the United States of America, East Conference, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Primitive Methodist Church, U. S. A., East Conference.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of orders relative to increasing the salary of the justice and clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Salary of the justice and clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the

Bass River, — fisheries.

Acts of the year 1849, relating to fisheries in the Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Smith of Gloucester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters.

Highways, —
street railways.

By Mr. Barstow of Norwell, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a law authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or widening public ways, to reserve a part of such way for street railway purposes, and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Baby farming.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding houses for infants. (House, No. 311.)

Salary of the
treasurer of
Norfolk County.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk (House, No. 310).

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women, —
sewage.

By Mr. Dacey of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, on the message of His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a special report made by the Commissioners of Prisons concerning the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women, in part, a Bill relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the message of His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a special report made by the Commissioners of Prisons concerning the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women, in part, a Resolve in relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women.

State prison
officials, —
pensions.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill providing for the pensioning of officers of the State prison injured in the discharge of their duty.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the superior court. Retirement of justices of the superior court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police. Salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ought to pass, with the following new title: "Bill requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office." Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, and petitions relating to the subject, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next. Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of orders relative to providing for the appointment of a special judge of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County, and recommending that the subject matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the reference. Special judge of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors, sale
of, in billiard
rooms.

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, the Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor upon premises where billiards and other games are played (House, No. 263) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

On motions of Mr. Connolly of Fall River, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to granting one liquor license for each 500 inhabitants of all cities or towns voting yes on the license question, and a petition relative to the same subject, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Id.

On motions of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors," and a petition relative to the same subject, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Discharge of
small loans.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Conditional
sales of
furniture.

On further motion of Mr. Parker, the Bill to amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 282) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the report Town charters. of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a form of charter for large towns which shall require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to Orders of the day. legislate :

On an order relative to authorizing or requiring all cities, or cities having more than a specified population, to establish and maintain public loan offices ; and

On an order relative to legislation concerning the method of procedure in enforcing a mechanics' lien so that such lien may be enforced by a writ as in any action of contract ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot boxes furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ; and

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of constructing highways ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled ; and

On the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting ;

Of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards ; and

Of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale (House, No. 261) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money for paving Somerville and Webster avenues in excess of the limit allowed by law (House, No. 286) ; and

To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 80) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolutions relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army and to place him on the retired list (Senate, No. 98) were adopted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the collection of taxes (House, No. 252) ;

To enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate (House, No. 276) ;

For the prevention of cruelty to children (House, No. 284) ;

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk (House, No. 251) ;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline and the Boston and Albany Railroad (House, No. 287) ;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren (House, No. 289) ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company (House, No. 296) ;

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures (House, No. 298) ; and

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions (House, No. 303) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Betsey Worthington (House, No. 291) ;

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 293) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts (House, No. 299) ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham (House, No. 301) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building (House, No. 302) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same (Senate, No. 34) ; and

To incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank (Senate, No. 78) ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 69) ; and

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Senate, No. 51) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan (House, No. 272) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, in section 1, line 16, by inserting, after the word "such," the word "bonds;" also in section 2, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "eliminating the last clause of said section," and inserting in place thereof the words "striking out all of said section after the word 'act' in the eighth line thereof," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (House, No. 242), being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering to a third reading.

The speaker ruled that the pending question of order raised by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford to the amendment moved by Mr. Sprague of Boston was well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

Mr. Sprague further moved to amend in line 8, by inserting, after the word "corporation," the words "provided that no person, officer or agent of any such organization shall have used any illegal means or influence to prevent any person or persons from entering into or continuing in the employment of any such person or corporation."

Mr. Parker of Boston moved that the further consideration of the bill and pending amendments be postponed until Thursday next, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Sprague also moved to amend by striking out, in lines 9 and 10, the words "by imprisonment for not more than six months, or;" also, in lines 11 and 12, by striking out the words "two hundred dollars, or by both fine and imprisonment," and inserting in place thereof the words "one hundred dollars."

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Durant of Cambridge were severally rejected, to wit: in lines 4 and 5, after the word "verbal," insert the words "to join or;" also in line 8, after the word "corporation," insert the words "or for any other purpose whatsoever."

The amendments moved by Mr. Sprague were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power (House, No. 218) was, on motion of Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, recommitted to the committee on Labor, pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissioners in the several cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 245) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Merritt of Chelsea moved to amend in section 1, lines 7 and 68, respectively, by inserting, after the word "Boston," the words "and Chelsea."

Mr. Sullivan of Boston moved to amend, in lines 8 and 9 of section 1, by inserting, after the word "commissioners," the words "representing the two leading political parties."

Mr. Cannon of Lawrence moved to amend in section 3 by striking out the words "its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "the first day of July, 1892."

After debate, the amendment moved by Mr. Sullivan was adopted. The amendments moved by Messrs. Merritt and Cannon were severally rejected. On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Halley of Lawrence, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 97 yeas to 51 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
Appleton, Francis H.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Austin, J. Lewis
Baker, William G.
Battles, David W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Buck, Anson
Burke, James F.
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.

Messrs. Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Connolly, Francis
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Cutler, George E.
Cutler, George P.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Danforth, John M.
Delaney, Patrick
Dennis, William D.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Driscoll, John A.

Messrs. Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Ferren, Myron J.
 French, Russell M.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.

Messrs. Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Norton, John H.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wood, Frank C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burnham, Lewis

Messrs. Cannon, William
 Chester, Dwight
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Dolan, William J.
 Fay, James M.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gallup, William W.
 Graham, John R.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Holmes, Charles H.

<p>Messrs. Jackson, Charles T. Jewett, Gilbert L. Lakin, James A. Leonard, Mahlon R. McEvoy, John W. Mellen, James H. Merritt, Marcus M. Moriarty, Eugene M. Nourse, Andrew L. Perkins, Augustus G. Proctor, George O. Richardson, Arthur C.</p>	<p>Messrs. Richmond, Jeremiah T. Rivers, George R. R. Ross, Samuel Sargent, J. Bradford Savage, Patrick J. Shute, Charles F. Soule, George L. Taft, Henry G. Wellman, Arthur H. Wier, Fred N. Woodsum, B. Herbert</p>
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Yeas, 97 ; Nays, 51.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.*	Messrs. Roe, Alfred S.
Simonds, George R.*	Rockwell, Henry F.
Sparhawk, Henry C.*	Howe, S. Augustus
Rosnosky, Isaac	Clough, George S.*
Fiske, Granville C.	Dole, Eben S.*

* Present.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, was further considered.

Mr. Carter of Wakefield moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain an electric light plant " (House, No. 314), pending which amendment, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Cape Cod Ship
Canal at Bass
River.

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, petitions of Tully Crosby and 24 others of Brewster, of B. E. Holland and 24 others of Barnstable, of W. H. Baxter and 61 others of South Yarmouth, of Bernard M. Sheridan and 63 others of Dennis, of Warren Sears and six others of Brewster, and of Charles C. Crocker and 47 others of Hyannis,—severally, in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Municipal coal
yards.

By Mr. Lanigan of Boston, petition of A. E. Beck and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Baker of Boston, petitions of E. T. Ranagan and others, and Thomas F. Scanlan and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Charles of Boston, petitions of Hermann J. Morrison and others, and Thomas H. Meade and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, petitions of J. F. Maguire and others, H. W. Wrisley and others, and P. L. Newins and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Crowley of Boston, petitions of David S. Banks and others, and M. S. Ayer and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petitions of James D. Kelly and others, A. Z. Washburn and others, C. P. Farwell and others, Edwin McDonough and others, and Charles G. Ellis and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Lynch of Boston, petition of J. W. Coverly and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Harris of Boston, petitions of Robert Treat Paine and others, and J. Pickering Putnam

and others of Boston; by Mr. Daley of Lynn, petitions of George C. Perry and others, and G. W. Stanley and others of Lynn; by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, petition of Levi Flanders and others of Wakefield; by Mr. Luby of Fall River, petition of D. M. Anthony and others of Fall River and vicinity; by Mr. Brogan of Boston, petition of C. W. Sawyer and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Perkins of Somerville, petitions of R. J. Lombard and others, E. A. Kingman and others, and C. H. Weston and others of Somerville; by Mr. Mahoney of Boston, petition of E. Forsaith and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Giles of Somerville, petition of L. L. Leighton and others of Somerville; by Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of J. S. Hastings and others of Wellesley; by Mr. Sargent of Leicester, petition of Lot Berry and others of Spencer; by Mr. Casey of Boston, petition of John B. Driscoll and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, petition of Patrick F. Derby and others of North Easton; and by Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, petition of Luther N. Smith and others of Lynn,—severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston:—

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners,—
Boston Gas Company,—
Bay State Gas Company.

(1) As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

(2) As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

(3) As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Papers from the Senate.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

A report of the Senate committee on the Treasury, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to establish an asylum for the chronic insane, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court :

Payment of poll taxes by political committees.

On an order relative to forbidding the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed ; and

Elections, — voting in sealed envelopes.

On the petition of Warner Johnston for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense ;

City of Boston, — duties and powers of the city clerk in elections.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the board of registrars of voters of said city ;

Intoxicating liquors, — revision of the liquor laws.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor ; and

Intoxicating liquors, sale of, to be drunk on the premises.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees, other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises ;

Report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ; and

Report of the secretary of the State Board of Health, — arsenic.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the secretary of the State Board of Health relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration (Senate, No. 84) (reported on a petition) ;

Town of Stoneham.

Relative to liens on buildings and land (Senate, No. 86) ; and

Liens.

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals (Senate, No. 88) ;

Bounty for the destruction of seals.

(Severally reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (Senate, No. 89) (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title, House, No. 134), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Proxy voting by certain corporations.

A petition of Elizabeth Ashworth and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor of women and children.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Healy of Dudley, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday. (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Hart of Lawrence and Merritt of Chelsea, of the House, dissenting.)

Day of State election a legal holiday.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of A. M. Bridgman and another for incorporation for publishing purposes.

A. M. Bridgman, — incorporation for publishing purposes.

By Mr. Morse of Holden, from the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to grading and otherwise regulating the salaries of the members of the district police.

Salaries of the members of the district police.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the payment of employees in State institutions semi-monthly instead of monthly as is now done.

State institutions, — semi-monthly payment of employees.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative

District police, — tenure of office.

to providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Elections,—
voting for
electors of
President and
Vice-President.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the committee on Election Laws, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of the ballot law so that a single mark may constitute a vote for all the presidential electors of a political party, a Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States. (House, No. 321.)

Intoxicating
liquors,—sale
of, by grocers.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on a petition, a Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by grocers. (Mr. Reade, of the Senate, and Mr. Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) (House, No. 318.)

City of Pitts-
field,—grade
crossing.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing. (House, No. 315.)

Bridgewaters
Water
Company.

By Mr. Hoar of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Bridgewaters Water Company to issue a new series of bonds. (House, No. 319.)

City of
Pittsfield,—
water supply.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield. (House, No. 320.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear
Infirmary.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ought to pass. (House, No. 316.)

David S. Beetle.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle ought to pass. (House, No. 317.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

James K.
Barbour.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of James K. Barbour. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Halley of Lawrence moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissioners in the several cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 245). After debate the motion was lost.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
license commis-
sioners in cities.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the following reports were severally taken from the table and were accepted and sent up for concurrence: —

Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of Marcellus Coggan and others that the sittings of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex may be changed; of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made a part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester; of Joseph V. Pease and others that the county of Dukes County may be constituted a judicial district; and of Bracey Curtis and others for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County; and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth; and

Sittings of the
first district
court of eastern
Middlesex.

Town of
Manchester, —
police court of
Gloucester.

Dukes County,
— judicial
district.

Norfolk County,
— district court.

Report of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to establishing one or more district courts to include the whole or a part of the county of Franklin, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Franklin
County, —
district courts.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Hudson, the Bill to authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes (House, No. 229), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Brigham, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be

Marlborough
Street Railway
Company.

engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until April 6.

Exemptions
from the civil
service rules.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the Bill to define exemptions from the civil service rules (Senate, No. 35) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending an amendment recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

On motions of Mr. Delaney of Fall River, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fines for imperfect weaving, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Sons of
Veterans.

On motions of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the reports of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies ; and

Sergeant Wil-
liam H. Carney
Camp, No. 82,
Sons of Veter-
ans.

On the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the Acts of the year 1849 relating to fisheries in the Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish ; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a law authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or widening public ways, to reserve a part

of such way for street railway purposes, and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county, shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county, nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom ; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts ; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts : *provided*, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner (House, No. 279) ;

Providing for a notice to be given under section 21 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes (House, No. 283) ;

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company (House, No. 309) ; and

To authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 82) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of public records (House, No. 234) was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for the publication of the first five volumes of the Massachusetts special laws was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

Bills :

Concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns (House, No. 253) ;

Preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale (House, No. 261) ;

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (House, No. 300) ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money for paving Somerville and Webster avenues in excess of the limit allowed by law (House, No. 286) ; and the

Resolve providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton (House, No. 292) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 80) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Carter of Wakefield, to substitute a "Bill to enable the town of Wakefield to construct and maintain an electric light plant" (House, No. 314) was rejected by a vote of 65 to 109, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars, was further considered.

Mr. Garfield of Brockton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill requiring electric cars to be provided with a continuous alarm" (House, No. 269). After debate the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the age of

compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years, was further considered.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to raise the compulsory school age to sixteen years" (House, No. 322), pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, by a vote of 49 to 40.

The Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns (House, No. 235) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands" (House, No. 323), pending which, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

The Bill in relation to the fees for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 247) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Hall of Woburn moved to amend in section 2 by striking out the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "on the first day of January, 1893."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading by a vote of 49 to 85.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, at eight minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 30, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of the town officers of Rochester; and by Mr. Gillett of Heath, petition of Leonard B. Rice and others, — severally, for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

By Mr. Crosman of Athol, petition of J. Hemenway and others of Athol for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Lien for
material
furnished.

By Mr. Daley of Lynn, petition of A. L. Ellis and others for an amendment of the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

By Mr. Connolly of Fall River, petitions of Rachael Haworth and 22 others, Edward Standish and 21 others, Henry McClusky and 12 others, Robert Knowles and 19 others, G. Marcotte and 21 others, Eliza Mulloy and 21 others, Albert Ormrod and 21 others, John Thorpe and 21 others, Alice Potter and 21 others, Margaret Holt and 21 others, Thomas McGuire and 21 others, Lary Connors and 20 others, James Campbell and 21 others, William Andrew and 21 others, James Kay and 21 others, William Maddox and 21 others, Kate Mason and 21 others, Thomas Shaw and 21 others, Brook Haynes and 21 others, William Moores and others, and

Thomas Larken and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Hale of Tyringham, petition of James G. Vandensen and others in aid of the petition of H. F. Keith and others for the incorporation of the South Berkshire Mountain Club.

South Berkshire Mountain Club.

By Mr. Giles of Somerville, petition of Alexander Foster and others of Somerville; by Mr. Perkins of Boston, petition of L. W. E. Kimball and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Dolan of Boston, petition of Horace H. Woodward and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Fletcher of Belmont, petition of Charles E. Livermore and others of Watertown; by Mr. Chester of Newton, petition of Frank Clement and others of Newton; by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, petition of Gerard Taillandire and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, petition of E. A. Churchill and others of North Brookfield; by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, petitions of H. J. Rowley and others, and Sidney A. Reeve and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, petition of Charles A. Dudley and others of Cambridge; by Mr. Charles of Boston, petition of John T. Gibson and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Robert Woods and others of Boston and vicinity; and by Mr. Proctor of Somerville, petitions of M. C. Higgins and others, and S. E. Browne and others of Somerville, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gillett of Springfield, of the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society for leave to hold additional property, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gillett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Boston Seamen's Friend Society.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid over from yesterday, was, on motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day :—

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners,—
Boston Gas
Company,—
Bay State Gas
Company.

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows :—

(1) As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

(2) As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

(3) As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order the commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Election Laws,
— clerical assis-
tance.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws be authorized to employ clerical assistance.

The House reports :

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary :

Report of the
General Super-
intendent of
Prisons,—
prison labor.

On the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor ; and

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons on
the Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

On the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Severally accepted by the House and sent up for concurrence, severally came down recommitted to the committee on Prisons, in which the House concurred, and the reports were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Hoosac Tunnel
and Wilmington
Railroad Com-
pany.

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (Senate, No. 93) (reported on a petition) ;

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 95) (reported on petitions); and

Salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of courts of Middlesex County.

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 96) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners) (Messrs. Keliher of Boston and Brock of Lynn, of the House, dissenting);

Boston harbor, — protection of the shores and beaches.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106) (being a new draft of a House "Bill providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the superior court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk," House, No. 179), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Superior court for Middlesex and Suffolk counties, — separate docket.

A Bill to increase the number of associate justices of the superior court (Senate, No. 91) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Superior court, — increase of associate justices.

The House Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors (House, No. 66) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit: inserting, near the beginning of section 1, after the words "is hereby amended," the following words: "by inserting after the word 'property,' in the first line of said section, the words 'estate, interest or money,' by striking out all after the word 'attached,' in the eighth line of said section, to and including the word 'attached,' in the fifteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: 'or been brought within the control of a court of equity, by injunction or otherwise, in proceedings upon bills by creditors to reach and apply, in payment of a debt, any property right, title or interest, legal or equitable, of a debtor, within this State, which cannot be come at to be attached in a suit at law against such debtor, or in other proceedings in equity, or by payment of money into court, and when it shall be made to appear, by default or otherwise, that the plaintiff is entitled to judgment or decree, except for such bankruptcy or insolvency of the debtor, or his discharge therein, the court may at any time upon motion enter a special judgment or decree for

Special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors.

the plaintiff, for the amount of his debt or damages and costs, or for such other relief as he may be entitled to, to be enforced in the first instance only against the property, estate, interest or money, so attached, or so brought within the control of the court;’ by inserting after the word ‘property,’ in said fifteenth line, the words ‘estate, interest or money;’ by inserting after the word ‘judgment,’ in the sixteenth line of said section, the words ‘or decree;’ by inserting after the word ‘execution,’ in the nineteenth line of the said section, the words ‘or other process;’ and by striking out, in the twentieth and twenty-first lines, after the word ‘judgment,’ the words ‘for the amount thereof remaining,’ and inserting in place thereof the following words: ‘or decree for such portion thereof as remains.’”

Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

City of Woburn,
— public cemeteries.

The Senate Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn (Senate, No. 67), passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with amendments, striking out in section 2, line 17, the word “removal” and inserting in place thereof the word “renewal;” also in section 3, line 2, by inserting after the word “amended” the words “by striking out the word ‘town,’ in the first [A] line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word ‘city,’ also,” and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendments with an amendment at “A,” striking out the word “line” and inserting in place thereof the words “and eighth lines,” in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
Boston Gas
Company.

A report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court (Senate, No. 102), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Town of
Stoughton, —
Stoughton
Water Com-
pany.

The House petition of W. O. Faxon and others of Stoughton that a vote of said town relative to purchasing the property of the Stoughton Water Company may be legalized, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members. (House, No. 189.)

The following petitions were severally referred in concurrence:—

Petition of the secretary of the State Board of Education that the school district represented by the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough may receive the sum of \$1,000 as authorized by chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1888, notwithstanding the failure of the town of West Stockbridge to raise the necessary amount of money required for school purposes. To the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

School district of the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough.

Petition of J. Hemenway and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday. To the committee on Federal Relations.

World's Columbian Exposition, — exhibit from Massachusetts.

Petition of Mrs. William Byard and 205 others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor for women and children to fifty-six hours a week. To the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor of women and children.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jewett of North Adams, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to certain veterans of the town of Scituate, and heirs of deceased veterans. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Town of Scituate, — payment of bounties to certain veterans.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill enabling a political party polling two per centum of the vote for Governor to make nominations. (House, No. 326.)

Nominations of political parties.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a bill (introduced on leave) and on a petition, a Bill to regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett. (House, No. 325.)

Town of Mattapoisett, — eels and white perch.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Free public
libraries in
towns.

By Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, from the committee on Libraries, on an order, a Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to free public libraries, to all towns having a valuation of less than six hundred thousand dollars. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Town of East
Bridgewater, —
payment of
bounties to cer-
tain veterans.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of certain veterans of the town of East Bridgewater ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Motion to Reconsider.

Intoxicating
liquors, — fees
for the sale of
liquor.

Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill in relation to the fees for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 247). After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Proctor of Somerville, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 84 yeas to 113 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Aokley, Edward W.
Adams, John W.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Baker, William G.
Ball, George S.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Barstow, Thomas
Bates, Jacob P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Blodgett, Percival
Brigham, William H.
Capen, Robert P.
Carter, James H.
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Cutler, George E.
Cutler, George P.

Messrs. Dennis, William D.
Durant, William B.
Fiske, Granville C.
Fletcher, J. Henry
Gallup, William W.
George, Edwin H.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Green, George H. B.
Hale, Charles H.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Harris, Charles E.
Holmes, Charles H.
Hooker, Charles H.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Hyde, William S.
Jenkins, Robert B.

Messrs. Jenks, George W.
Jennison, Henry J.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Leonard, Mahlon R.
Lincoln, Stephen R.
Loud, John C.
Luther, William
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Morse, Stillman F.
Newell, Richard
Nichols, DeWitt C.
Norton, John H.
Nourse, Andrew L.
Olmstead, James M.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Perkins, Augustus G.
Perkins, George W.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Proctor, George O.
Quinn, Timothy F.
Read, Franklin F.

Messrs. Richardson, Albert W.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Richmond, Silas P.
Rideout, Malcolm E.
Rockwell, Henry F.
Roe, Alfred S.
Ruggles, Henry E.
Sawyer, Samuel L.
Shute, Charles F.
Simonds, George R.
Smith, James B.
Soule, George L.
Stickney, Clarence
St. John, Thomas E.
Taft, Henry G.
Wellman, Arthur H.
Whitcomb, N. Emery
Wilder, Aaron O.
Winslow, George S.
Wood, Frank C.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Battles, David W.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Crosman, Charles
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Danforth, John M.
Delaney, Patrick
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fall, George
Fallon, James O.
Fay, James M.
Francis, Frank W.
French, Russell M.
Galloupe, George A.
Garfield, George H.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Golding, John
Halley, Dennis E.

Messrs. Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hoyt, Warren
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas, J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parker, James O.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Tucker, George F.
 Warren, Bentley W.

Yeas, 84 ; Nays, 113.

Taken from the Table.

Street bands.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, the Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns (House, No. 235) was taken from the table. Pending the amendment moved by Mr. Richardson to substitute a "Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands" (House, No. 323), and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor (House, No. 246) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Tucker moved to amend in the last line of the article of amendment by striking out the word "amended" and inserting in place thereof the word "annulled." The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Constitutional amendment,—property qualification for the office of Governor.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :
Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops ; and

On an order relative to such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries ;

Suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops. Extermination of policy shops and lotteries.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted.

Volunteer militia.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Lien for materials furnished.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
school-houses.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, was recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law, by a vote of 81 to 71, and sent up for concurrence.

State election
day a legal
holiday.

On motions of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Election Laws.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan;

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot;

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police;

Providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau;

To authorize the preparation for the State library of an index of current events;

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol;

Providing for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home;

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law;

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise;

Relating to the time of marking shade trees for their preservation ; and

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the payment of official stenographers of the superior court ;

To authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt ;

Relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students ;

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose ;

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same ; and

To incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of George H. Ross ;

In favor of William C. Merry ;

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty ;

In favor of George F. Hubbard ;

In favor of Michael J. Fleming ;

In favor of John Brickley ;

In favor of William Burt ;

Granting county taxes ;

Providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners ; and

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace ; and

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the payment of employees in State institutions semi-monthly instead of monthly, as now is done, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the secretary of the State Board of Health relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court :

On an order relative to forbidding the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed ; and

On the petition of Warner Johnston for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the board of registrars of voters of said city ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees, other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing (House, No. 315) ; and

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 320) ; and the

Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle (House, No. 317);
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner (House, No. 279) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 82) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the assistant librarian to \$3,000 per annum, was further considered.

Mr. Roe of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salary of the assistant State librarian and clerk of the Board of Education" (House, No. 305).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater moved to amend by striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 6, as follows:—

"*Section 6.* This act shall take effect when accepted by the city council of the city of Brockton and by the people of the town of West Bridgewater at meetings duly called for that purpose within one year from the passage of this act; and immediately upon the acceptance of this act by the said city of Brockton and the said town of West Bridgewater, the city clerk of the said city and the town clerk of said town shall notify the secretary of the Commonwealth in writing of such acceptance."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the amend-

ment moved by Mr. Howard was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Boston and others for the removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by the cities or towns of the Commonwealth (and so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities) was taken up, and, pending the question on its acceptance, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, at half-past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 31, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, petition of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and the town of Adams authorized to issue bonds and loan the same to said fire district. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

South Adams
fire district,—
town of Adams.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, petition of E. L. Metcalf and 60 others of Franklin; and by Mr. Oakes of Boston, petitions of A. W. Stockwell and others, and Mary S. Ashley and others of Boston and vicinity,—severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Municipal coal
yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, petition of M. M. Alden and others of Ludlow for legislation requiring persons holding taxable personal property to bring in sworn lists, and subjecting them to damage for failure to bring in such lists. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation,—
sworn lists of
property.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, of the selectmen of Nantucket for reimbursement to said town for expenditures on account of shipwrecked seamen, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Gardner, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Nan-
tucket,—reim-
bursement for
expenditures
on account of
shipwrecked
seamen.

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

Railroads, —
private cross-
ings.

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads (Senate, No. 63) (reported on an order and petitions) ; and

Nathan Slade
Cemetery
Association.

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 97) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Returns of
county treas-
urers.

A Bill relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers (Senate, No. 99), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the
joint special
committee of
the General
Court of 1891,
concerning
administrative
boards and com-
missions.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions (Senate, No. 73), was referred in concurrence, as follows : —

Manual training
and industrial
education.

So much thereof as relates to manual training and industrial education, to the committee on Education ; and

The residue thereof to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

Petition of the town officers of Hadley and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Cape Cod Ship
Canal, — Bass
River Canal.

Petitions of George H. Lovering and others, Charles F. Swift and others, and Eben B. Crocker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Reports of Committees.

Reserve fund of
safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

By Mr. Clayton of Cambridge, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of H. E. Clayton for legislation regulating the reserve fund of safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of Benjamin C. Clark for incorporation of the Tyler Street Day Nursery.

Tyler Street
Day Nursery.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association.

Globe Building
and Loan Association.

By Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Commonwealth (Mr. Reade of the Senate, and Mr. Savage of Lowell, of the House, dissenting).

Carney
Hospital.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirement of civil service examination.

Civil Service,—
exemption of
laborers.

By Mr. Quinn of Sharon, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. C. Pease and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow.

Division of the
town of Long-
meadow.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill relating to assessments for sewers in the city of Waltham. (House, No. 346.)

City of Wal-
tham,—sewers.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable" ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 343.)

Towns of
Mashpee and
Barnstable,—
fisheries.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order and a petition, a Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions." (House, No. 330.) (Messrs. McDonald, Fernald and Smith of the Senate, and Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Taxation of
collateral leg-
acies and suc-
cessions.

Returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

By Mr. Hall of Woburn, from the committee on Manufactures, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, in part, a Bill requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. (House, No. 347.)

Washington Mills Company.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock. (House, No. 345.)

Commissioner of Corporations, — change of names of corporations.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act authorizing the Commissioner of Corporations to change the names of corporations. (House, No. 328.)

Beverly Marine Railway.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate. (House, No. 329.)

Salaries of the county commissioners of Plymouth County.

By Mr. McSolla of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth. (House, No. 339.)

Railroads, — owners and managers of sleeping-cars as common carriers.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Railroads, on orders, a Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers. (House, No. 348.)

Personal property, — double taxation.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation. (House, No. 344.)

Medfield Water Company.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company. (House, No. 341.)

Medway Water Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company. (House, No. 340.)

Foxborough water supply district.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to permit the Foxborough water supply district to supply water for residents of Foxborough outside the district. (House, No. 342.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Retirement of judges of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties ought to pass. (House, No. 331.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch ought to pass. (House, No. 337.)

Harry W. Welch.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools, ought to pass. (House, No. 336.)

School supplies.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass. (House, No. 332.)

Reformatory Prison for Women, — sewage.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Resolve in relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass. (House, No. 335.)

Id.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Bill authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ought to pass. (House, No. 334.)

Support of the insane in towns.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Bill requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ought to pass. (House, No. 333.)

Street railway companies.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ought to pass. (House, No. 338.)

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Ackley of Fitchburg, from the committee on Manufactures, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, in part, a Bill relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — returns of gas companies.

By Mr. Crosby of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Ella Raymond.

Ella Raymond.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on so much of the Governor's address

Commission on highways.

as relates to a department for roads, bridges and drainage, and on orders, a Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reconsideration.

Annexation of a part of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton.

Mr. Jennison of Weston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270). After debate the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 94 to 66. Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Jennison moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Towns. After debate the motion prevailed by a vote of 97 to 38, and the bill was accordingly recommitted.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston, and a petition relative to the same subject. The motion was lost by a vote of 70 to 48, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Discharged from the Orders.

Hours of labor of street railway employees.

On motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, the Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor-men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town (House, No. 294) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Dolan moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by inserting after the word "hours" the words "work to be performed within;" also by adding at the end of said

section the following: "No officer or agent of any street railway company shall exact from its employees more than the said ten hours' work for a day's labor: *provided, however*, that in case of accident, or unavoidable delay, extra labor may be performed for extra compensation;" also striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof two new sections, to be numbered sections 2 and 3, as follows:—

"Section 2. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be fined for each offence a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

"Section 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of August in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the following order was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within [A] ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners,—
Boston Gas Company,—
Bay State Gas Company.

(1) As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

(2) As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

(3) As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Mr. Mellen moved to amend at "A" by striking out the word "ten" and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty."

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Boundary line
between the city
of Gloucester
and the towns
of Essex and
Ipswich.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the Bill to define and establish the boundary line in tide water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich (House, No. 225) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the same gentleman moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows:—

“*Section 2.* The boundary line in tide-water between the towns of Essex and Ipswich is hereby established as follows: Beginning at a copper bolt in the highest point of the main ledge of the Black Rocks, so called, in the line as herein before defined, dividing the city of Gloucester from said towns, and running from said copper bolt north forty degrees west, until it comes to the centre of the channel of Castle Neck River on the north side of Choate’s (formerly called Hog) Island.”

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Baby farming.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding houses for infants (House, No. 311) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Blanchard moved to amend in section 12, line 1, by striking out the word “eight” and inserting in place thereof the word “ten;” also in line 2 of the same section by striking out the word “nine” and inserting in place thereof the word “eleven.”

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Town of Stone-
ham.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration (Senate, No. 84) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where Bills enacted.
 persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence ; and

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices and district, police and municipal courts ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; and

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to Orders of the day.
 the next General Court, on the petition of A. M. Bridgman and another for incorporation for the purpose of publishing a newspaper ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to grading and otherwise regulating the salaries of the members of the district police ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor (Senate, No. 74) ;

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk (House, No. 310) ;

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds (House, No. 319) ; and

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett (House, No. 325) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 320) ; and the

Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle (House, No. 317) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayor of Boston and others for the removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by the cities or towns of the Commonwealth (and so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities) was further considered.

Mr. Meyer of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation" (House, No. 285).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Barney of New Bedford, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a letter from the Governor of New Jersey, requesting this Commonwealth to take part in the erection of a national monument at Trenton, N. J., commemorative of the battle fought there during the revolution. Read, and on motions of Mr. Charles of Boston, the message and the accompanying documents were ordered printed as a House document (House, No. 359) and were referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor, — national monument at Trenton, N. J.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Stickney of Townsend, petition of E. W. Seaver and others of Townsend for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Hyde of Ware, petition of Marion A. Campbell and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday. To the committee on Federal Relations.

World's Columbian Exposition, — Massachusetts exhibit.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of R. M. Lavender and 85 other citizens of Provincetown in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Cape Cod Ship Canal at Bass River.

Municipal coal
yards.

By Mr. Dolan of Boston, petition of Richard French and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Perkins of Somerville, petition of Charles C. Metcalf and others of Somerville; by Mr. Giles of Somerville, petition of Fred. L. Pulsifer and others of Somerville; by Mr. Hevey of Woburn, petition of James O'Reilley and others of Woburn; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of A. F. Hill and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Daley of Lynn, petition of J. A. Elliott and others of Lynn; and by Mr. Bates of Brookline, petition of Francis McCourt and others of Brookline, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Crombie Street
Church in
Salem.

A petition, presented by Mr. Potter of Salem, of the proprietors of Crombie Street Church in Salem for a modification of the terms of admission to membership in said corporation and power to make by-laws, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Elections, —
Prohibition
party.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary :

Report of the
chief of the
district police, —
fish and game
laws.

On so much of the annual report of the chief of the Massachusetts District Police as relates to violations of the fish and game laws and recommendations of amendment thereof; and

Report of the
Commissioners
on Inland Fish-
eries and Game.

On the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Bliss of Boston.

Bills :

To incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 76) ;

To incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 122) ;

(Severally reported on petitions) ;

Providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions (Senate, No. 94) (reported on an order) ;

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties (Senate, No. 103) ; and

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 104) ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 81) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

A petition of the town officers of Holland and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Friend of Gloucester, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the 49th Registration Report as relates to births, marriages and deaths and the returns of medical examiners. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bliss of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Agricultural and horticultural exhibitions, — police officers.

City of Malden, — board of fire commissioners.

Town of Andover, — water loan.

Intoxicating liquors, — summer resorts.

Duties of judges of probate and insolvency.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Forty-ninth registration report, — births, marriages and deaths and returns of medical examiners.

Foreign corporations,—
list of stock-
holders.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the commissioner of corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each member and the number of shares held by each one. (Mr. Coveney of the Senate, and Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.) Read, and on motion of Mr. Moriarty, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

State Board of Education,—
power to take and hold in trust grants, devises, donations, bequests, etc., and for certain purposes.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the State Board of Education to take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands, and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth, for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms.

Elections,—
certificates of nomination.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the State central committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling a number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do. (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Hart of Lawrence and Merritt of Chelsea, of the House, dissenting.)

Condition of laborers.

By Mr. Carter of Wakefield, from the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club and others for an investigation into the condition of laborers.

Co-operative Improvement Association.

By Mr. Winslow of Norwood, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph Robbins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Improvement Association.

Suffolk Real Estate Association.

By Mr. Brewer of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State and report as to the proper method of regulating these corporations.

Mercantile agencies.

By Mr. Dodge of Natick, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools and among school children.

Contagious diseases in schools.

By Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart all along their lines.

Street railway companies.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation for expenditure for the public schools, and on an order relative to changing the present system of support of the public schools so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth.

School tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "Provided said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State."

Taxation of personal property.

By Mr. Crosman of Athol, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the assessment and collection of taxes by a State board, so as to remove the present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection.

Collection of taxes by a State board.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations.

Report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations.

By Mr. Gray of Rockland, from the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose.

Annexation of a part of Wakefield to Melrose.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

- Tuberculosis.** By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on the report of the Cattle Commissioners, in part, a Bill to more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis. (House, No. 355.)
- Days of grace.** By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order and petitions, a Bill to abolish days of grace. (House, No. 350.)
- Electric light wires.** By Mr. Heffernin of Boston, from the committee on Manufactures, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, in part, a Bill placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires. (House, No. 349.)
- Salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex.** By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex. (House, No. 351.)
- Salary of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire.** By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the compensation of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire. (House, No. 352.)
- West Tisbury.** By Mr. Lawrence of Cohasset, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury. (House, No. 353.)
- Woman suffrage.** By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on a petition, a Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town. (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Warren of Boston, Fairbanks of Warren and Bardwell of Montague, of the House, dissenting.) (House, No. 354.)
- Severally read and ordered to a second reading.
- World's Columbian Exposition.** By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 85) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.
- State Normal School at Bridgewater.** By Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, on the report of the State Board of Education, in part, a Resolve in favor of the State Normal School at Bridgewater. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the Bill providing for the election of boards of health in towns (House, No. 237) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next.

Boards of
health in towns.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Taxation
of collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 221) was discharged from the orders of the day, under the suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Connecticut
River Railroad
Company.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to amend in section 2 by striking out in lines 1, 2 and 3, the words "All of the shares of said increase of capital stock shall be sold at," and inserting in place thereof the words "If any shares of said increase of capital stock shall be unsubscribed for, the same shall be sold at public."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Warren of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Monday. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved that the further consideration be postponed until Wednesday next. The latter motion prevailed, and the bill and pending amendment were accordingly postponed until Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (House, No. 308) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Salary of the
clerk of the
district court of
East Norfolk.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Rivers moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the words "eight hundred," and insert-

ing in place thereof the words "one thousand," pending which Mr. Warren of Boston moved that the bill and pending amendment be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, which motion, after debate, was lost, and on further motion of Mr. Rivers, the bill and pending amendment were postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Division of
Longmeadow.

On motions of Mr. Brewer of Springfield, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. C. Pease and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 12.

City of Wal-
tham, — sewers.

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick, the Bill relating to assessments for sewers in the city of Waltham (House, No. 346) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Returns to the
Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Woburn, the Bill requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 347) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 11.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to certain veterans of the town of Scituate and heirs of deceased veterans ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association ;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirement of civil service examination ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton (House, No. 306) ;

Relative to liens on buildings and land (Senate, No. 86) ;

To amend an act authorizing the commissioner of corporations to change the name of corporations (House, No. 328) ;

Relating to the disposal of sewage at the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 332) ;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports (House, No. 333) ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane (House, No. 334) ;

To amend an act entitled " An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable " (House, No. 343) ;

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads (Senate, No. 63) ; and

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 97) ; and

Resolves :

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 335) ;

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools (House, No. 336) ; and

In favor of Harry W. Welch (House, No. 337) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation (House, No. 249) ;

Providing for a notice to be given under section 21 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes (House, No. 283) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so that it read " Bill providing for a notice to be given to a person charged with liability for injury caused by intoxicated persons ") ; and

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett (House, No. 325) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to diminish the number of accidents occurring to persons while being carried in herdies, hacks, cabs, carriages or other public vehicles, or which will enable parties to obtain compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles, was further considered.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill for the protection of persons using public carriages " (House, No. 356), pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to granting one liquor license for each 500 inhabitants of all cities or towns voting yes on the license question, and a petition relative to the same subject, was further considered.

Mr. Connolly of Fall River moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend an act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors " (House, No. 312).

After debate the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for

taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, and petitions relating to the subject, was, on motion of Mr. Barrows of Wareham, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 11.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding houses for infants (House, No. 311) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, were adopted, to wit: In section 12, line 1, striking out the word "eight" and inserting in place thereof the word "ten;" also in line 2, striking out the word "nine" and inserting in place thereof the word "eleven."

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in line 3 of section 2, and in line 3 of section 7, respectively, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the word "two;" also in section 2, line 4, by inserting after the word "guardian" the words "exclusive of infants related by blood or marriage to the person having such custody or control; *provided*, that the burden of proof shall be upon the defendant."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses (House, No. 262) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg raised the point of order Point of order. that the bill was beyond the scope of the petitions upon which it was reported. The speaker declared the point not well taken.

Mr. Morse of Holden moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following:—

"The boards of selectmen shall, upon petition in writing of ten or more qualified voters, insert in the warrant for the annual town meeting an article providing for a vote upon the following question: 'In the event that this town does not vote to grant licenses to sell intoxicating liquor, shall the selectmen be required to establish a liquor agency or agencies under the provisions of chapter — of the Acts of the year 1892?' And the vote shall be 'Yes' or 'No' in answer to said question."

The same gentleman further moved to amend in section 2, line 2, by inserting after the word "town" the words "which has voted 'yes' in answer to the question provided in section one of this act."

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 2, by striking out, in lines 10 and 11, the words "who shall not be engaged in the drug or apothecary business."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with joint rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending March 31, 1892, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 360). Read and placed on file.

Report of the
Sergeant-at-
Arms,—
expenses of
committees.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) (reported on a petition);

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company of
Boston.

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts (Senate, No. 108) (reported on an order); and

Town elections,
— returns of
election officers.

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion (Senate, No. 111) (reported on an order and a petition);

Town of
Marion,—
scallops.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries (Senate, No. 112), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Lotteries and
policy lotteries.

The House Bill to enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 243) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: in section 1, line 7, striking out, after the word "amount," the words "in all," and inserting in place thereof the words "which, together with the amount heretofore authorized by law shall;" also striking out, in the same line, the word "exceeding," and inserting in place thereof the word "exceed;" also in the title, striking out the

Benevolent
Fraternity of
Churches
of Boston.

word "enable" and inserting in place thereof the word "authorize," in which several amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Nantucket, — reimbursement for expenditures on account of shipwrecked seamen.

The House petition of the selectmen of the town of Nantucket for reimbursement to said town for expenditures on account of shipwrecked seamen, referred by the House to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, and referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Towns, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Expenditures, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Clerks of courts,
— salaries.

By Mr. Nourse of Bolton, from the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to \$2,000, and that of the clerk of said court to \$1,500; also the petitions of Henry M. Williams and others, and of Edward B. George and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth. The report was read.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks of certain police, district and municipal courts at three-fourths of the salaries of the justices of said courts" (House, No. 370).

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Report of the
librarian of the
State library.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Libraries, no further legislation necessary, on the report

of the librarian of the State library for the year ending September 30, 1891. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Chelsea for legislation to revise the ward lines of said city, and to increase the number of wards. City of Chelsea, — revision of ward lines.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school; relative to truants and their support; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners. Schools, — superintendents and supervisors, — truants.

By Mr. Bourne of Savoy, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation giving further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation of real and personal estate, as shown by the last returns thereof, does not exceed one-half million dollars. Public schools in towns.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to maintaining public schools in towns thirty weeks at least in each year. Id.

By Mr. Crosby of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (recommitted) to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia. Volunteer militia.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederic Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid. Frederic Wiese.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Prescho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes. (House, No. 366.) City of Chelsea, — land for a public building or park.

By Mr. Brock of Lynn, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead. (House, No. 368.) Town of Marblehead, — protection of shores and beaches.

Massachusetts
Real Estate
Company of
Lowell.

By Mr. Pratt of Lowell, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell. (House, No. 369.)

Salaries of the
county com-
missioners of
Norfolk County.

By Mr. Melaven of Worcester, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk. (House, No. 365.)

Town of Grove-
land, — Grove-
land bridge.

By Mr. Barstow of Norwell, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge. (House, No. 361.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the
Commissioner
of State Aid.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid ought to pass. (House, No. 362.)

Salary of the
assistant libra-
rian of the State
library.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant state librarian and clerk of the Board of Education ought to pass. (House, No. 305.)

Free public
libraries in
towns.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to free public libraries, to all towns having a valuation of less than \$600,000, ought to pass. (House, No. 364.)

James K.
Barbour.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of James K. Barbour ought to pass. (House, No. 363.)

Appointments
on the Gov-
ernor's staff.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to appointments on the Governor's staff ought to pass. (House, No. 367.)

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.

By Mr. Soule of Middleborough, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the engrossment of the bill.

Motion to Reconsider.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and

chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses (House, No. 262), and on his further motion the motion to reconsider was laid on the table by a vote of 80 to 28.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brock of Lynn, the Bill to incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company (House, No. 309) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

West Lynn
Trust Company.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 13, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Richmond of Freetown, the Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 103 to 20.

Taxation of per-
sonal property,
— double taxa-
tion.

It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Richmond moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Taxation.

Mr. Meyer of Boston raised the point of order that the motion to recommit was not in order, for the reason that under joint rule No. 5 "no recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March." The Speaker declared the point of order well taken.

Point of order.

Thereupon Mr. Richmond moved that joint rule No. 5 be suspended, which motion prevailed by a vote of 102 to 47, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Bill enabling a political party polling two per centum of the vote for

Political parties,
— nominations.

governor to make nominations (House, No. 326) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 14.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 122) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston moved to amend in section 2, line 5, by inserting, after the word "otherwise," the words "and over and upon any streets or highways;" also in line 28 of the same section by inserting, after the word "land," the words "in said Lowell."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Lakin, laid on the table, by a vote of 65 to 34.

Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 76) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same;

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness;

Authorizing certain boards and commissions to consult and advise with the Attorney-General on questions of law relating to their official business;

To incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton;

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop; and

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legis- Orders of the day.
late, on an order relative to authorizing the State Board of Education to take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands, and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth, for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Joseph Robbins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Improvement Association ; and

On the petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools and among school children ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on the report of the tax commissioner ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for voting for electors for President and Vice-president of the United States (House, No. 321) ;

To enable the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate (House, No. 329) ;

To provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331) ;

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office (House, No. 338) ;

Relative to the compensation of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire (House, No. 352);

To incorporate the town of West Tisbury (House, No. 353);

To more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis (House, No. 355);

Providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions (Senate, No. 94);

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties (Senate, No. 103); and

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 104); and the

Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (House, No. 316);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district (House, No. 256);

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees (House, No. 266);

To enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases (House, No. 288);

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing (House, No. 315);

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk (House, No. 310);

Relating to the disposal of sewage at the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 332);

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports (House, No. 333); and

Authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane (House, No. 334); and the

Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch (House, No. 337);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads (Senate No. 63); and

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 97) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns (House, No. 235) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the amendment moved by Mr. Richardson of Winthrop to substitute a "Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands" (House, No. 323) was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town (House, No. 294) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Sprague of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the order upon which it was reported. The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken.

Mr. Dolan of Boston moved to amend as follows: In section 1, line 1, after the word "hours" insert the words "work to be performed within;" also at the end of said section add the following: "No officer or agent of any street railway company shall exact from its employees more than the said ten hours' work for a day's labor: *provided, however*, that in case of accident, or unavoidable delay, extra labor may be performed for extra compensation." Also strike out section 2 and insert in place thereof two new sections, to be numbered sections 2 and 3, as follows: —

"*Section 2.* Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be fined for each offence a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

"*Section 3.* The act shall take effect on the first day of August in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration (Senate, No. 84) was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor upon premises where billiards and other games are played (House, No. 263) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Mr. Leonard of Waltham moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors upon premises where billiards and other games are played" (House, No. 324).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Crosby of Worcester, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years, was further considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Norton of Boston, the amendment moved by Mr. Chance of Boston, to substitute a "Bill to raise the compulsory school age to sixteen years" (House, No. 322), was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company (House, No. 248) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Barney of New Bedford, at ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 5, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting the report of the Rapid Transit Commission. The message was read. Mr. Charles of Boston moved that the message with report and accompanying documents be referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit. Mr. Anderson of Cambridge moved that they be referred to the committee on Street Railways, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 32 to 73. The motion of Mr. Charles was adopted, and the message and accompanying documents were accordingly referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from
the Governor —
report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

Hour of meeting.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, petition of the town officers of Plainfield for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendments, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, petition of Osborn Nickerson and others of Chatham in aid of the petition of Thomas Bacon and others for a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Cape Cod Ship
Canal at Bass
River.

Hours of labor
of paper mill
employees.

By Mr. Hart of Lawrence, petition of Walter Howe and others of Hyde Park for the regulation of the hours of labor for paper mill employees. To the committee on Labor.

Municipal coal
yards.

By Mr. Gray of Rockland, petition of Judson Studley and others of West Hanover; by Mr. Crosman of Athol, petition of Herbert Whitney and others of Athol; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, petition of William Sears and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Barrows of Wareham, petition of Henry S. Griffith and others of South Carver; by Mr. Barstow of Norwell, petition of Charles N. Gardner and others of Norwell; by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, petition of Albert E. Lang and others of Melrose; by Mr. Dyar of Boston, petition of Frank S. Ray and others of Boston and vicinity; by Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, petition of B. F. DeCosta and others of Cambridge; and by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of the Scandinavian Reading and Discussion Club of Boston, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Christie A.
Fisk.

A petition, presented by Mr. Loud of Chelsea, of Christie A. Fisk that she may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Loud, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke: —

Morning ses-
sions, recess
and hour of
adjournment.

Ordered, That on and after Friday, April 15, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at half-past ten o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; and whenever the House is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall, except on Friday, declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; and whenever the House is in session at four o'clock and fifty minutes P.M., the

Speaker shall declare an adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of joint rule 10, to make final report upon matters previously referred to them, be further extended to Friday, April 15.

Extension of time for final reports of joint committees.

A report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for a union passenger station of the railroads entering Boston from the north and a union passenger station for the railroads entering Boston from the south and west, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

Railroads,—union passenger stations.

Bills :

Relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton (Senate, No. 100) (reported on an order);

City of Northampton,—grade crossing.

To authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply (Senate, No. 114); and

Town of Everett,—water supply.

To authorize the widening of Walter street in the city of Boston, and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor (Senate, No. 115);

City of Boston,—widening of Walter street.

(Severally reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours (House, No. 240).

Clerks of courts.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Sudbury for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

Petition of Sarah Welch and 500 others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week. To the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor of women and children.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
trustees of the
State Primary
and Reform
Schools.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Savage.

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the 8th annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Baker.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Biennial
elections and
sessions.

By Mr. Lanigan of Boston, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial sessions of the Legislature. (Messrs. Ray and Champlin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Rugg of Grafton and Whitcomb of Boxborough, of the House, dissenting.)

Biennial or
triennial
elections and
sessions.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature. (Messrs. Ray and Champlin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Rugg of Grafton and Whitcomb of Boxborough, of the House, dissenting.)

Prohibition
party.

By Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes.

Voting lists.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents.

Liens.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment of the lien

law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor. (Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing corporations who commence business before the capital is fully paid in, to fix the par value of their shares at not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven days' notice of first meeting in certain cases.

Corporations, —
par value of
shares and
notice of first
meeting.

By Mr. Winslow of Norwood, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances as will require the placing of electric wires under ground.

City of Springfield, — electric
wires.

By Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the State to join with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sewage or the destruction or utilization of solids contained in sewage.

Purification of
sewage.

By Mr. Bliss of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., and others that the Old Colony Railroad Company and the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston so as to prevent such crossing.

City of Boston,
— grade crossing
of the Old
Colony Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Jennings of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing electric roads to take up the tracks of horse railroads and replace them.

Street railways.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring a two-thirds vote for making appropriations in towns between the time of assessment of taxes and the next annual meeting.

Town appropriations.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling towns to establish hospitals in certain cases for paying patients.

Hospitals in
towns.

By Mr. Soule of Middleborough, from the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order

Examination of
reservoirs.

relative to repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the examination of reservoirs.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Removal of
material from
beaches.

By Mr. Lougee of Salem, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on an order and a petition, a Bill to increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches. (House, No. 371.)

Intoxicating
liquors, —
innholders and
common victu-
allers, public
bars.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on petitions, a Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers. (House, No. 372.) (Mr. Reade of the Senate, and Messrs. Sullivan of Boston and Halley of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.)

Commitment
of insane per-
sons.

By Mr. Heald of Pepperell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part, a Bill relating to the commitment of insane persons. (House, No. 380.)

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Railroads, on resolutions (recommitted) (House, No. 220), a "Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth." (House, No. 379.) (Mr. Raymond, of the Senate, dissenting.)

People's Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Golding of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the People's Street Railway Company. (House, No. 378.)

Town of
Peabody.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license. (House, No. 377.)

Town of Mel-
rose, — town
hall bonds.

By Mr. Quinn of Sharon, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds. (House, No. 373.)

Town of Chat-
ham, — debt.

By Mr. Gray of Rockland, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt. (House, No. 374.)

Town of Hop-
kinton, — water
loan.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 376.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Jennison of Weston, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (recommitted) to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270) ought to pass, with the following amendment: Strike out section 6, and insert in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 6, as follows:—

Annexation of a portion of West Bridgewater to Brockton.

“*Section 6.* This act shall take effect when accepted by the common council of the city of Brockton at a meeting duly called for that purpose within one year from the passage of this act; and immediately upon the acceptance of this act by said city of Brockton, the city clerk of said city shall notify the secretary of the Commonwealth in writing of such acceptance.”

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Foreign manufacturing corporations.

By Mr. Baker of Boston, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to giving the name of “Marblehead” to the new war ship now building at South Boston ought not to be adopted. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolutions.

Naming a new war ship, “Marblehead.”

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the report of the Adjutant-General, in part, a Resolve relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence.

City of Lawrence,—armory.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Adjutant-General, in part, a Resolve relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General.

Soldiers and sailors,—index of names in the office of the Adjutant-General.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order and a petition, a Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia.

Volunteer militia.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Supreme, district, municipal and police courts, — jurisdiction of petitions of married women concerning their separate estate.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 332 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to confer original jurisdiction exclusive or concurrent of the petitions therein named upon supreme courts or upon district, municipal or police courts within their several districts, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Form of charter for large towns

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the report of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a form of charter for large towns which shall require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns, was taken from the table, and was accepted, in concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Admission of children to places of amusement.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation on the subject of admission of children to shows and places of amusement ; and

Id.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the general agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children on shows, so that children under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

Medfield Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the Bill to permit the Foxborough water supply district to supply water for residents of Foxborough outside the district (House, No. 342) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second

time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the same gentleman moved a suspension of joint rule No. 5, to allow the bill to be recommitted. The motion prevailed, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 85) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Roe of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of the resolve the following: "*provided*, that the Massachusetts building, and, as far as the same is under the control of the board of managers, the Massachusetts exhibit be closed on the first or Lord's day."

After debate the amendment was adopted by a vote of 85 to 58, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren;

To authorize fire district number one of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan;

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing at St. Mary's street in Brookline, on the Boston and Albany Railroad; and

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation giving further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation and real and personal estate, as shown by the last returns thereof, does not exceed one-half million dollars ;

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederic Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge (House, No. 361) ;

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid (House, No. 362) ; and

To extend the provisions of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to free public libraries, to all towns having a valuation of less than \$600,000 (House, No. 364) ; and the

Resolve in favor of James K. Barbour (House, No. 363) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company (House, No. 248), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office (House, No. 338) ; and

To more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis (House, No. 355) ; and

Resolves:

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 335); and

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools (House, No. 336);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions (Senate, No. 94) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill providing for the election of boards of health in towns (House, No. 237) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Gardner of Nantucket moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "two" and inserting in place thereof the word "five."

Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield moved to amend in line 7 of the same section by inserting, after the word "persons," the words "one of whom at least shall be a physician."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the amendment moved by Mr. Gardner was rejected. The amendment moved by Mr. Blodgett was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected by a vote of 50 to 94.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to diminish the number of accidents occurring to persons while being carried in herdies, hacks, cabs, carriages or other public vehicles, or which will enable parties to obtain compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles, was further considered.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill for the protection of persons using public carriages" (House, No. 356).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Perkins of Boston, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted.

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The Bill to incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company (House, No. 309) was further considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent attorneys and counsellors at law from soliciting employment in cases of personal injury (House, No. 254) was read a second time and considered.

After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, at twelve minutes before five o'clock, adjourned by a vote of 62 to 54.

WEDNESDAY, April 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Member Qualified.

Bernard M. Wolf, a member-elect from the Seventeenth Suffolk Representative District, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Lanigan of Boston was appointed a committee, who conducted Mr. Wolf to the council chamber, and he having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Member qualified.

Report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Voted, That three hundred copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission be printed as a House document.

Report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

Subsequently Mr. Charles of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the motion was adopted, which motion to reconsider was placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, of the trustees of Oak Grove Cemetery Association for authority to convey said cemetery to the town of Plymouth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Atwood, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Oak Grove Cemetery Association.

A petition, presented by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, of F. W. Trowbridge and 321 other legal voters of the town of Hudson in aid of the Bill to authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Town of Hudson, — Marlborough Street Railway Company.

Orders.

Pay roll, —
travelling ex-
penses of mem-
bers of the
House of Rep-
resentatives.

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay Roll are hereby instructed to make up a pay roll for the travelling expenses of members of the present session as provided for by chapter 59 of the Acts of the present year, the travel to be computed according to the table of distance established by an order of the House of Representatives, adopted February 4, 1869.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— financial
operations of
endowment
societies.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, —

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner be directed to report to the House of Representatives, immediately, as complete a summary as possible of the financial operations for the year 1891 of the so-called endowment societies organized under section 8 of chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888.

Morning ses-
sions, — recess
and hour of
adjournment.

The order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, laid over from yesterday, as modified by Mr. Tucker, by striking out the words “four o’clock and fifty minutes,” and inserting in place thereof the words “four o’clock and forty-five minutes,” was adopted as follows: —

Ordered, That on and after Friday, April 15, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at half-past ten o’clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; and whenever the House is in session at a quarter before one o’clock P.M., the Speaker shall, except on Friday, declare a recess until two o’clock P.M.; and whenever the House is in session at four o’clock and forty-five minutes P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral, — weights
and measures.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to weights and measures, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge.

Reports:

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary:

On the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy; and

Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

On the annual report of the State Board of Health relative to prosecutions and expenses in connection with the inspection of food and drugs;

Report of the State Board of Health, — inspection of food and drugs.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield.

Bills:

To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association (Senate, No. 118) (reported on a petition); and

Fall River Real Estate Association.

Relating to changes in the name of certain corporations (Senate, No. 119) (reported on an order);

Corporations, — change of names.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to define their powers and duties (Senate, No. 117) (reported on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

The House Bill to reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together (House, No. 273) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit: inserting, in line 3, after the word "any," the words "police, municipal or." Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Witness fees.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth, and the framing of a general form of municipal charter, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891, — general form of municipal charter.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills: —

For the prevention of cruelty to children (House, No. 284);

Cruelty to children.

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County (House, No. 236); and

Suffolk County, — index commissioners.

Counterfeiting
of private labels,
stamps and
trade marks.

Town of New-
bury,—bridge
over the River
Parker.

To prevent the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade marks (House, No. 267).

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Newbury that said town may be authorized to construct and maintain a wharf over tide water at a public landing on the River Parker was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 9th and 12th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Town of New-
bury,—town
meeting.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Newbury that a vote of said town passed at the last annual town meeting may be legalized came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Banking institu-
tions,—munic-
ipal deposits.

By Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a general law limiting the amount of money which a town or city may deposit in a single bank or banking institution, and providing that such deposit shall not at any one time exceed a certain percentage of the capital of the bank. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sawyer.

Evening
schools.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in connection with and supplementary to the rudimentary instructions given in the public schools, with a view to providing a system for those who desire a higher education. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton.

Naming a new
war ship
"Gloucester."

By Mr. Hevey of Woburn, from the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Gloucester Board of Trade that the Secretary of the Navy be requested to give the name of "Gloucester" to one of the war ships in process of construction. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on First Parish in Newbury. Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Little and others, owners of pews in the meeting-house of the First Parish in Newbury, for an act of incorporation. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Chester of Newton.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Olmstead of Boston, from the committee on Municipal coal yards. Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and to supply fuel for their citizens at cost. (Mr. Coveney of the Senate, and Messrs Moriarty of Worcester and Coakley of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.) The report was read, and, on motion of Mr. Moriarty, the rule was suspended, and the report was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 14, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

By Mr. Read of Pittsfield, from the committee on Banks Savings banks, — bonds of street railway companies. and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of savings banks may be invested be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends.

By Mr. Lowe of Saugus, from the same committee, Shawmut Trust Company. leave to withdraw, on the petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, from the committee on Hours of labor, — eight hour law. Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of employment; also the expediency of making eight hours a day's work, and a petition relative to the same subject. (Mr. Howard of the Senate dissenting.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. Finance, that the Bill relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 383.)

License fee
for dogs.

By Mr. Buck of Stockbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill relating to the license fee for dogs. (House, No. 387.)

Caterpillars.

By Mr. Andrews of Essex, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the destruction of caterpillars and cankerworms within the limits of highways (House, No. 181) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways." (House, No. 386.)

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Employers' Liability Act, and on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and subsequent acts in amendment thereof, to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service. (House, No. 389.)

Railroad fares.

By Mr. Burke of Quincy, from the committee on Railroads, on orders, a Bill to regulate railroad fares. (House, No. 391.)

Taxation,—
lists of personal
property.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, from the committee on Taxation, on petitions, a Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors. (House, No. 388.)

Fire District
No. 1 of South
Hadley.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 390.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of the
justices of the
superior court.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the superior court ought to pass. (House, No. 381.)

Ella Raymond.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Ella Raymond ought to pass. (House, No. 382.)

Salary of the
second clerk in
the office of the
District Police.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the District Police ought to pass. (House, No. 384.)

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Normal School at Bridgewater ought to pass. (House, No. 385.)

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to increase the number of associate justices of the superior court (Senate, No. 91) ought to pass. Increase in the number of associate justices of the superior court.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Friday for a second reading.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the superior court ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Retirement of justices of the superior court.

By Mr. Savage of Lowell, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Resolve (recommended) providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 163) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. State Industrial School for Girls.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Casey of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill providing for the election of boards of health in towns (House, No. 237). After debate, the motion was lost. Boards of health in towns.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (House, No. 308). After debate, the motion was lost. Salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time. Exemption from taxation of municipal obligations.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "Section 2. Section 20 of chapter 13 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'purposes,' in the 12th line of said section, the following :

‘in notes, bonds and other obligations issued after May first, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, by any city or town in this Commonwealth.’”

Pending the amendment, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Meyer, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Carney Hos-
pital.**

On motions of Mr. Savage of Lowell, the report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 13, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

**Salaries of
clerks of courts.**

On motions of Mr. Bliss of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to \$2,000, and that of the clerk of said court to \$1,500; also the petitions of Henry M. Williams and others, and of Edward B. George and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

**Division of
Tisbury.**

On motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury (House, No. 353) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, inserting, at the beginning of section 4, before the word “existing,” the words “suits upon,” which amendment was adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of Mr. May-

hew, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 14, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment to the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Lien.

On motion of Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, the Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Towns, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 19, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Annexation of a portion of West Bridgewater to Brockton.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ; Bills enacted.

Relative to the jurisdiction of the supreme judicial and superior courts in real actions ;

Relative to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law for paving Somerville and Webster avenues ;

Relating to the service of process in the collection of taxes ; and

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association ;

To ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration ;

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads ; and

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes ;

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school ; relative to truants and their support ; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors ; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to maintaining public schools in towns thirty weeks at least in each year ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents ;

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Wendell Phillips Women's Club and others for an investigation into the condition of laborers ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing corporations who commence business before the capital is fully paid in to fix the par value of their shares at not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven days' notice of first meeting in certain cases ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances as will require the placing of electric wires under ground ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the State to

join with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sewage or the destruction or utilization of solid contained in sewage ;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., and others that the Old Colony Railroad Company in the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company, and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston, so as to prevent such crossing ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation requiring the assessment and collection of taxes by a State board so as to remove the present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection ;

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring a two-thirds vote for making appropriations in towns between the time of assessment of taxes and the next annual meeting ; and

On an order relative to enabling towns to establish hospitals in certain cases for paying patients ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing electric roads to take up the tracks of horse railroads and replace them ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the examination of reservoirs ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires (House, No. 349) ;

To establish the salary of the assistant librarian and clerk of the Board of Education (House, No. 305) ;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (House, No. 366) ;

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts (Senate, No. 108) ;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion (Senate, No. 111) ;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt (House, No. 374) ;

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches (House, No. 371);

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan (House, No. 376);

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license (House, No. 377); and

Relating to the commitment of insane persons (House, No. 380);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 258);

Relative to the change of names of corporations (House, No. 328) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To provide for voting for electors for President and Vice-President of the United States (House, No. 321);

Constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town (House, No. 294);

To incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company (House, No. 248);

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge (House, No. 361); and

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid (House, No. 362); and

Resolves:

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (House, No. 316); and

In favor of James K. Barbour (House, No. 363);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties (Senate, No. 103); and

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 104);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolutions relative to giving the name of "Marblehead" to the new war ship now building at South Boston were rejected, as recommended by the committee on Federal Relations, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve (on leave) in favor of certain veterans of the town of East Bridgewater was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable" (House, No. 343) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee" (House, No. 375), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to extend the provisions of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to free public libraries, to all towns having a valuation of less than \$600,000 (House, No. 364) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Bill authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed six hundred thousand dollars" (House, No. 392), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent attorneys and counsellors-at-law and their agents from soliciting employment in cases of personal injury (House, No. 254), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keliber of Boston, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 91 to 51.

The Bill to authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes (House, No. 229), was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, were severally adopted, to wit: In section 10, lines 4 and 5, striking out the words "located or com-

menced the construction of," and inserting in place thereof the words "constructed and operated;" also by striking out, in line 7, the word "four," and inserting in place thereof the word "five."

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend in section 6 by striking out all after the word "dollars," in line 17, and inserting in place thereof the following: "The amount of said additional bonds issued shall not at any time exceed in amount one-half of said additional stock actually paid in."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the amendment moved by Mr. Moriarty was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, at nine minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned until Friday next at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, April 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Wednesday last, voted to have printed as a House Document 300 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the motion, Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved as an amendment that the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the members 300 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission, which amendment was adopted, and the motion, as amended, was adopted.

Report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, at five minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Endowment Societies.

Report of the
Insurance
Commissioner,
— endowment
societies.

A communication was received from the Insurance Commissioner, in compliance with an order of the House of Representatives, transmitting a summary of the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursement of the so-called assessment endowment corporations of this Commonwealth (House, No. 405). The communication was read, and with the accompanying document was ordered to be printed as a House document, and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Reports Received.

Report of the
Metropolitan
Sewerage
Commissioners.

A supplementary report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners was received and was referred to the committee on Expenditures, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Auditor of the
Commonwealth,
— expenses of
advertising
committee
hearings.

A communication was received from the Auditor of the Commonwealth, transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them, from the beginning of the present session to the first day of April current. Referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

City of Boston,
— public park
at the North
End.

By Mr. Fallon of Boston, petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others that the city of Boston may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for

public park purposes at the North End. To the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, remonstrances of P. C. Young and 31 others of Provincetown, and of Samuel C. Paine and 13 others of Truro; by Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, remonstrances of W. H. Irwin and 10 others of West Barnstable, of Alexander E. Nickerson and 14 others, and of A. F. Bearse and 10 others of Cotuit, of Ward Eldred and 27 others of North Falmouth, of W. P. Lewis and 23 others, and of George W. Hallett and 20 others of Hyannis, of Charles F. Parker and three others, and of H. P. Crocker and 13 others of Osterville, of H. S. Lawrence and three others of Brewster, of W. L. Nickerson and 23 others, and of Osborn Nickerson and five others of Chatham, of J. H. Cummings and 40 others of Orleans, of George Otis and 23 others of Yarmouthport, of Joshua Crowell and 11 others of East Dennis, of David D. Kelley and 24 others and of Stephen Sears and 54 others of South Yarmouth, of W. W. Ellis and 36 others of Dennis, and of Watson F. Baker and 39 others of South Dennis, — severally, against the granting of a charter to any company for building a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay.

Cape Cod Ship Canal.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, remonstrance of the Wamsutta Mills and other manufacturers of New Bedford against any reduction of the hours of labor. To the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, petition of Kate M. Harvey and others of Brighton that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition, presented by Mr. Richmond of Abington, of John A. Floyd that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Richmond, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

John A. Floyd.

Municipal coal
yards.

A petition, presented by Mr. Driscoll of Springfield, of Clarence E. Blake and others of Springfield for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett : —

Report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing immediately 3,000 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission, —

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parker of Boston, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke : —

Opinion of the
supreme judi-
cial court, —
municipal coal
yards.

Ordered, That the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court be required upon the following important questions : —

First. Is it within the constitutional power of the Legislature to enact a law conferring upon a city or town within this Commonwealth the power to purchase coal and wood as fuel, in excess of its ordinary requirements, for the purpose of selling such excess, so purchased, to its own citizens?

Second. Is it within the constitutional power of the Legislature to enact a law conferring upon a city or town within this Commonwealth the power to purchase, for the purpose of sale, and to sell to its own citizens, coal and wood as fuel?

And be it further ordered, that the justices of the supreme judicial court be informed that the foregoing questions are propounded with a view to further legislation upon the subjects therein referred to; and that for their more particular information a copy of House Document No. 395, being a bill now pending before this House, and upon the subject-matter of which the foregoing questions are propounded, be transmitted to the justices.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

City of Boston,
—indemnity to
citizens for
damages in-
curred in assist-
ing police offi-
cers.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

A Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 116) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Grade crossings.

A Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the southern district (Senate, No. 124) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Salary of the
district attorney
for the southern
district.

A Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting house of said society and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Park Street
Congregational
Society.

A Bill in relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates (Senate, No. 123), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Recovery of
costs from
insolvent
estates.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) relative to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Gloucester was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of Gloucester,
—250th
anniversary
celebration.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
State Board of
Education.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the 55th annual report of the Board of Education, and the 55th annual report of the secretary of the board. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst, and sent up for concurrence.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on petitions, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the division of towns. (House, No. 397.) (Messrs. Ray and McDonald, of the Senate, and Messrs. Rugg of Grafton, Lanigan of Boston and Driscoll of Springfield, of the House, dissenting.)

Intoxicating
liquors,—
recount of votes
cast on the
license question
in towns.

By Mr. Healy of Dudley, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill to provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 400.)

Town of
Nantucket.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Expenditures, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Nantucket. (House, No. 396.)

Id.

By Mr. Nye of Barnstable, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket. (House, No. 401.)

South Adams
fire district.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness. (House, No. 399.)

Wellesley
Congregational
Church.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church. (House, No. 398.)

Constitutional
amendment,—
taking of tracts
of land in cer-
tain cases.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, on the partial report of the Rapid Transit Commission and on petitions, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize cities and towns to take land and property for widening or laying out streets or highways. (House, No. 402.) (Messrs. Bliss of Boston,

Blodgett of Templeton and Nutting of Northampton, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Gilbride of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Ackley of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Returns to the
Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor (Senate, No. 74) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 20, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Town of
Clinton, —
water supply.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Newton, the Bill to abolish days of grace (House, No. 350) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 20, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Days of grace.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to biennial elections

Biennial
elections and
sessions.

of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial sessions of the Legislature ; and

Biennial or triennial elections and sessions.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and were postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21, to be placed first and second in the orders of the day for that day.

People's Street Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, the Bill to incorporate the People's Street Railway Company (House, No. 378) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, amended, on further motion of Mr. Newell, in section 7, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words "in such sum within its debt limit," and inserting in place thereof the words "to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Town of Everett, — water supply.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply (Senate, No. 114) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

World's Columbian Exposition.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, the Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 85) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings ;

To authorize the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex ; and

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for the assignment of police officers for the special service of agricultural and horticultural exhibitions (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of savings banks may be invested be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State and report as to the proper method of regulating these corporations ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts of the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 95) ;

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals (Senate, No. 88) ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 339) ;

Authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock (House, No. 345) ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 365) ;

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead (House, No. 368) ;

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds (House, No. 373) ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police (House, No. 384) ;

To provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways (House, No. 386) ;

To amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887 and subsequent acts in amendment thereof, to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service (House, No. 389) ;

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan (House, No. 390) ; and

To increase the number of associate justices of the superior court (Senate, No. 91) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Ella Raymond (House, No. 382) ; and

In favor of the State Normal School at Bridgewater (House, No. 385) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House No. 347) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate (House, No. 329) ;

To establish the salary of the assistant State librarian and clerk of the Board of Education (House, No. 305) ;

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches (House, No. 371) ;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt (House, No. 374) ;

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan (House, No. 376) ;

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license (House, No. 377) ; and.

To authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (House, No. 366) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion (Senate, No. 111) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the commitment of insane persons (House, No. 380) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 404), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, and petitions relating to the subject, was further considered.

Mr. Barrows of Wareham moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill for the further protection of the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay " (House, No. 394).

After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to \$2,000, and that of the clerk of said court to \$1,500 ; also the petitions of Henry M. Williams and others, and of Edward B. George and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts, and recommending that the same be referred to

the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, was further considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the amendment moved by Mr. Bliss of Boston, to substitute a "Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks of certain police, district and municipal courts, at three-fourths of the salaries of the justices of said courts" (House, No. 370), was rejected, by a vote of 32 to 82, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (House, No. 308) was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Rivers of Milton, striking out the words "eight hundred" and inserting in place thereof the words "one thousand," was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 221) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows:—

"Section 2. All of the shares of said increase of capital stock which remain unsubscribed for by the stockholders shall be sold at auction in the manner provided by section 59 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes in the case of shares of increase of capital stock."

Mr. Jennings of Worcester moved to amend by striking out section 3.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge was rejected, to wit: in section 2 striking out in lines 1, 2 and 3 the words "All of the shares of said increase of capital stock shall be sold at," and inserting in place thereof the words "If any shares of said increase of capital stock shall be unsubscribed for the same shall be sold at public."

The amendment moved by Mr. Charles was adopted.

On the question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Jennings, the yeas and nays were ordered,

at the request of Mr. Keliber of Boston, and the roll being called, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 90 yeas to 59 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Holmes, Charles H.
Ashley, Henry W.	Hooker, Charles H.
Atwood, Edward B.	Howard, S. Edward
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Hoyt, Warren
Austin, J. Lewis	Jenks, George W.
Ball, George S.	Jennings, Henry J.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Jennison, Henry J.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Lakin, James A.
Battles, David W.	Lawrence, William B.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Loud, John C.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Blodgett, Percival	Lowe, William W.
Brewer, Edward S.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Brigham, William H.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Newell, Richard
Brown, Samuel J.	Norton, John H.
Carter, James H.	Parker, James O.
Charles, Salem D.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Chester, Dwight	Perkins, Augustus G.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Perkins, George W.
Crane, George A.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Crosby, James P.	Presho, Edward W.
Crosman, Charles	Richardson, Albert W.
Daley, Edward L.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Danforth, John M.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Dennis, William D.	Richmond, Silas P.
Durant, William B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Fairbanks, Edward	Rosnosky, Isaac
Fall, George	Ruggles, Henry E.
Fay, James M.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Ferren, Myron J.	Simonds, George R.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Smith, Sylvanus
Gardner, Arthur H.	Soule, George L.
Garfield, George H.	Sprague, Charles F.
Gillett, Frederick H.	St. John, Thomas E.
Graham, John R.	Tucker, George F.
Green, George H. B.	Warren, Bentley W.
Hall, Henry C.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Harding, N. Frank	Wier, Fred N.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Hemenway, William H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Hoar, John J.	Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
 Baker, William G.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Chance, Charles J.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Fallon, James O.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Hinds, John F.
 Jackson, Charles T.

Messrs. Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Low, Emery M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynoh, John B.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Ross, Samuel
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Sumner
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Winslow, George S.

Yeas, 90 ; Nays, 59.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. George, Edwin H.
 Roe, Alfred S.*
 Galloupe, George A.*
 Lane, Howard G.

NAYS.

Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.*
 Anderson, Stephen
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Clayton, Horace E.*

* Present.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Woburn, at ten minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns on Wednesday, April 13, it be to meet on the following Thursday, at one o'clock P.M. Hour of meeting.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, a Resolve to provide for repairing damages caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson. State Primary School at Monson. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Clark, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, petition of the town officers of Warren; by Mr. Jewett of North Adams, petition of the town officers of New Ashford; by Mr. Quinn of Sharon, petition of the town officers of Walpole and others; by Mr. Batcheller of Sutton, petition of the chairman of the selectmen of Millbury and another; and by Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, petition of the town officers of Swampscott and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns. Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, petition of Clarence W. Brown and others of Erving for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards. Municipal coal yards.

A petition, presented by Mr. Pratt of Lowell, of Amasa Pratt for the passage of an act to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Pratt, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parker of Boston, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Opinion of the
supreme judicial
court, — munici-
pal coal yards.

Ordered, That the opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court be required upon the following important questions : —

First. Is it within the constitutional power of the Legislature to enact a law conferring upon a city or town within this Commonwealth the power to purchase coal and wood as fuel, in excess of its ordinary requirements, for the purpose of selling such excess, so purchased, to its own citizens?

Second. Is it within the constitutional power of the Legislature to enact a law conferring upon a city or town within this Commonwealth the power to purchase for the purpose of sale and to sell to its own citizens coal and wood as fuel?

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And, be it further Ordered, That the justices of the supreme judicial court be informed that the foregoing questions are propounded with a view to further legislation upon the subjects therein referred to ; and that, for their more particular information, a copy of House Document No. 395, being a bill now pending before this House, and upon the subject-matter of which the foregoing questions are propounded, be transmitted to the justices.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend at "A," by inserting the following : —

"Third. Is it within the constitutional power of the Legislature to enact a law conferring upon cities and towns within this Commonwealth authority to establish and maintain municipal fuel or coal yards for the purpose of selling coal, wood or other fuel to the inhabitants of such cities and towns?"

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of Part II. of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to printing additional copies thereof, and recommending that the further consideration thereof be referred to the committee on Printing, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Holmes of Chelsea.

Report of the
Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary :

On the abstract of the certificates of corporations ; and

On the third annual report of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Bates of Brookline.

Abstract of
certificates of
corporations.

Report of the
Commissioner
of Foreign Mort-
gage Corpora-
tions.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Tax Commissioner and the Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations, and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
Tax Commis-
sioner and Com-
missioner of
Corporations, —
change of names
of corporations.

A Bill providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments (Senate, No. 105) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Employment of
women and
minors in
manufacturing
establishments.

Bills :

To provide for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested (Senate, No. 90) ;

Compensation of
persons wrong-
fully arrested.

Salary of the
reporter of
decisions of the
supreme
judicial court.

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses (Senate, No. 109) (being a new draft of a House Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled "An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court," House, No. 144); and

Gambling
houses.

Relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming (Senate, No. 125);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Courts of
equity, — juris-
diction in mat-
ters relating to
the separate
property of
married
women.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills: —

To give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon (House, No. 146); and

Use of false
trade-marks,
labels and
stamps.

To prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps (House, No. 268).

Town of North
Brookfield, —
water commis-
sioner.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of North Brookfield that the election of Francis Batchelder as water commissioner of said town be legalized and confirmed was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage Cor-
porations.

By Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations and of changing the name of said officer, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee on Municipal Charters, appointed by the Legislature of 1891. (House, No. 411.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of

Mr. Shute, the rules were suspended, the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Mr. Garfield of Brockton, from the committee on Pay-roll, who were instructed to make up a pay-roll for the travelling expenses of the members of the present session, reported that the following order with the accompanying schedule ought to be adopted : —

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the sum of \$18,640 is due to the members of the House of Representatives, for compensation for travelling expenses, is approved, and that the same be sent to the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Pay roll, —
travelling ex-
penses of mem-
bers of the
House of Rep-
resentatives.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted and signed by the Speaker.

By Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture on the best methods to be adopted in order to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth against the dangers to human life and health which may arise from the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
State Board of
Agriculture, —
tuberculosis.

By Mr. Fiske of Ashland, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater. (House, No. 407.) (Mr. Drury of the Senate, and Messrs. Dodge of Natick and Breen of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

City of Brock-
ton, — sewerage.

By Mr. Kelly of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, on an order and a petition, a Bill amendatory of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties. (House, No. 408.)

Insurance, —
proof of claims
under life
policies.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club. (House, No. 406.)

South Berk-
shire Mountain
Club.

By Mr. Jennings of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to

City of Quincy
and towns of
Weymouth and
Hingham, —
street railway
locations.

grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River. (House, No. 409.)

Town of
Melrose,—
water fund
bonds.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds. (House, No. 410.)

Town of
Needham,—
water loan.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan. (House, No. 416.)

Foxborough
Water Supply
District.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district (House, No. 342) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 417.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Industrial
School for
Girls.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ought to pass. (House, No. 413.)

City of Law-
rence,—
armory.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence ought to pass. (House, No. 414.)

Highway
commission.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth ought to pass. (House, No. 415.)

Salary of the
first clerk in the
office of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ought to pass. (House, No. 412.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Town of
Clinton,— water
supply.

Mr. Howard of Newton moved to reconsider the votes whereby the House, yesterday, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 20, to be placed first and second in the orders of the day for that day, the Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor (Senate, No. 74), and the Bill to abolish days of grace (House, No. 350).

Days of grace.

The motions prevailed, and pending the recurring question on postponement, the bills were, on further motions of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26, to be placed first and second in the orders of the day for that day.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 221).

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the motion to reconsider be postponed for further consideration until Friday next. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Chance, and the roll being called, the motion to postpone was lost by a vote of 87 yeas to 117 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Adams, John W.

Allen, James E.

Andrews, Miles S.

Baker, William G.

Ball, George S.

Bardwell, Henry D.

Barney, Benjamin B.

Barrett, Richard F.

Barstow, Thomas

Batcheller, Henry C.

Battles, David W.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bicknell, Zechariah L.

Brigham, William H.

Brogan, Patrick F.

Bryant, Charles H.

Buckley, William P.

Cannon, William

Capen, Robert P.

Carroll, Michael

Chance, Charles J.

Clark, Edward P.

Clayton, Horace E.

Clough, George S.

Coakley, Daniel H.

Coburn, Clarence G.

Connolly, Francis

Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Dacey, Charles M.

Messrs. Daley, Edward L.

Dodge, Edgar S.

Dolan, William J.

Dole, Eben S.

Easland, John N.

Fallon, James O.

Fiske, Granville C.

Francis, Frank W.

French, Russell M.

Friend, George H.

Gilbride, Michael B.

Golding, John

Halley, Dennis E.

Harris, Charles E.

Heffernan, Edward J.

Hevey, Thomas D.

Hobson, Charles H.

Howe, S. Augustus

Keliher, Thomas J.

Lanigan, Andrew M.

Lawrence, Amos A.

Lincoln, Stephen R.

Luby, Patrick B.

Mahoney, Cornelius E.

McEvoy, John W.

McLoughlin, John T.

McSolla, Richard F.

Melaven, James F.

Mellen, James H.

Merritt, Marcus M.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE,

Messrs. Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Rivers, George R. R.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederick W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buck, Anson
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Carter, James H.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.

Messrs. Danforth, John M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dennis, William D.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fay, James M.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.

Messrs. Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Messrs. Richardson, Arthur C.
Lakin, James A.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Lane, Howard G.	Richmond, Silas P.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Lawrence, William B.	Roe, Alfred S.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Loud, John C.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Low, Emery M.	Shute, Charles F.
Lowe, William W.	Simonds, George R.
Luther, William	Smith, James B.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Smith, Sumner
Meyer, George v. L.	Smith, Sylvanus
Miller, Horace E.	Soule, George L.
Nickerson, Osborn	Sprague, Charles F.
Norton, John H.	Stickney, Clarence
Nourse, Andrew L.	St. John, Thomas E.
Nye, Charles H.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Olmstead, James M.	Warren, Bentley W.
Parker, James O.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Perkins, Augustus G.	Wier, Fred N.
Perkins, George W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Potter, Samuel A.	Wood, Frank C.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Proctor, George O.	

Yeas, 87 ; Nays, 117.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Sparhawk, Henry C.*

Mr. Ferren, Myron J.

* Present.

After further debate the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 75 to 109.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to prevent Gilded ware. deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding (House, No. 277) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and

pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Baby farming.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants (House, No. 311) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending certain amendments, pending which, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

**City of Chelsea,
— ward lines.**

On further motion of Mr. Presho, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Chelsea for legislation to revise the ward lines of said city, and to increase the number of wards, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and under a further suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, the report was recommitted to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Railroad fares.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Burke moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "but no railroad corporation shall be required to accept a less fare than five cents for transporting any person between two points."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Burke, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

**Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.**

On motion of Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater, the Bill for the further protection of the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 394) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 19, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield ; Bills enacted.

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions ;

To define and establish the boundary line in tide water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich ; and

Making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee on Municipal Charters, appointed by the Legislature of 1891 ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan ; and

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden and defining their powers and duties ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ; and Resolves passed.

In favor of Betsey Worthington ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district (House, No. 307) ;

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (Senate, No. 93) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 351) ;

Relative to appointments on the Governor's staff (House, No. 367) ;

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 383) ;

Relating to changes in the names of certain corporations (Senate, No. 119) ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams and to enable it to refund its indebtedness (House, No. 399) ;

To permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church (House, No. 398) ;

To provide for re-counting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 400) ; and

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket (House, No. 401) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the town of Nantucket (House, No. 396) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds (House, No. 373) ; and

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police (House, No. 384) ; and the

Resolve in favor of Ella Raymond (House, No. 382) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to liens on buildings and land (Senate, No. 86) ;

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts (Senate, No. 108) ; and

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts of the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 95) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan (House, No. 390) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out at the beginning of section 1 the words "The inhabitants of Fire District Number One in the town of South Hadley are," and inserting in place thereof the words "Fire District Number One in the town of South Hadley is," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the State Normal School at Bridgewater (House, No. 385) was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and the printing of a catalogue" (House, No. 418), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. C. Pease and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow, was further considered.

Mr. Brewer of Springfield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow" (House, No. 357).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett, to insert a new section, to be numbered section 2, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Sen-

ate, No. 85) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of the resolve the words "also on the seventh day or the Sabbath."

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "*Provided*, that the Massachusetts building, and, as far as the same is under the control of the Board of Managers, the Massachusetts exhibit, be closed on the first or Lord's Day."

Pending the several amendments, and pending the main question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Gillett of Springfield had been appointed to preside. Mr. Gillett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, Resolutions relating to the establishment of a life-saving station at City Point. City of Boston, — life-saving station at City Point. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that they came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Chance, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolutions were sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, a Resolve relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester. Worcester County, — county estimate. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Richmond, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Laid Over.

Mr. Norton of Boston asked leave to introduce a Resolve relating to certificates of membership in the General Court. Certificates of membership in the General Court. The resolve was read, and at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, consideration of the request to introduce the resolve was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Cape Cod Ship
Canal at Bass
River.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, petition of Alton P. Goss and others of Harwich in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, remonstrances of Herbert Lyman and other employees of the Hadley Company of Holyoke, and of J. Cumnock and 45 other employees of the Easthampton Spinning Company; by Mr. Howard of Newton, remonstrance of officers and employees of the Nonantum Worsted Company of Newton; by Mr. Wier of Lowell, remonstrance of officers and employees of the Appleton Mills and the Kitson Machine Company of Lowell; and by Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg, remonstrance of the Parkhill Manufacturing Company of Fitchburg, — severally, against any reduction of the hours of labor.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

World's
Columbian
Exposition, —
Sunday closing.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, petition of the Massachusetts Christian Endeavor Union; and by Mr. Roe of Worcester, petitions of the Middlesex County Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, of the Worcester Local Union of Christian Endeavor, of C. F. Holman and others of Millbury, and of the President of the Knowles Loom Works and others of Worcester, — severally, that all further appropriations to the World's Columbian Exposition may be made conditional upon Sunday closing of said exposition.

Constitutional
amendment, —
division of
towns.

By Mr. Sweet of Norton, petition of the town officers of Norton and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns.

Municipal coal
yards.

By Mr. Daley of Lynn, a communication from the mayor of Lynn transmitting a petition of 2,000 citizens and tax payers of Lynn for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards.

By Mr. Simonds of Barre, petition of Daniel F. Bigelow and others of Petersham; and by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of H. S. Stockwell and 32 others of Sutton, — severally, for a change in the present system of the support of public schools.

Support of
public schools.

By Mr. Harding of Medfield, petition of Monroe Morse and others of Millis; and by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of H. F. Rice and others of Sutton, — severally, for legislation requiring persons holding taxable personal property to bring in sworn lists, and subjecting them to doamage for failure to bring in such lists.

Taxation, —
failure to bring
in lists of
property.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to placing the control of the police force of the city of Boston in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor of said city; and on so much of the Governor's address as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city (Mr. McNary of the Senate dissenting); and

City of Boston,
— board of
police.

Of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners;

Report of the
Railroad Com-
missioners.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 126) (reported on orders);

City of Boston,
— income from
water supplies.

Concerning the settlement of illegitimate children (Senate, No. 127) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity);

Settlement of
illegitimate
children.

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 128) (reported on an order);

City of Boston,
— blasting.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton (Senate, No. 130) (reported on a petition);

Salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Newton.

Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery (Senate, No. 132) (reported, in part, on the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 on the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing of records of deeds, etc.); and

Records of
instruments
affecting titles
to land.

Crossings of
railroads, street
railways and
highways.

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways (Senate, No. 135) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Clark of Palmer, the resolve was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and sent up for concurrence.

Days of grace.

A remonstrance of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange against the passage of an act to abolish days of grace was placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
— public parks.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to vesting the construction of public parks in Boston in one of the regular departments of said city. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky, and sent up for concurrence.

Industrial edu-
cation and
manual training
in public
schools.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools, and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkhurst, and sent up for concurrence.

Savings banks,
deposits in.

By Mr. Howard of Newton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and of providing that the executor of any will or the administrator upon any estate, into whose

possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties entitled by said conditions to receive the same said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to unite the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and petitions in aid of the same.

Annexation of
Cambridge to
Boston.

By Mr. Proctor of Somerville, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance, approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners, for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car.

Street railways,
— appliance for
deadening the
noise of electric
cars.

By Mr. Golding of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation compelling street railways of this Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life.

Street railways,
— guards for the
protection of
life.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company. (House, No. 420.)

Columbia Trust
Company.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson. (House, No. 423.)

City of Boston,
— Andrew C.
Scott and David
L. Adamson.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General ought to pass. (House, No. 421.)

Soldiers,—Index
of names in the
office of the
Adjutant-Gen-
eral.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Bill providing for the pensioning of officers of the State prison injured in the discharge of their duty ought to pass. (House, No. 422.)

State prison
officials,—
pensions.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia ought to pass. (House, No. 419.)

Volunteer
militia.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Methuen Water
Company.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) ought to pass, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Manufacturing
and mechanical
establishments,
— control of
motive power.

By Mr. McAnally of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power (House, No. 218) ought not to pass.

Taxation of
personal prop-
erty.

By Mr. Richmond of Freetown, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (recommitted) to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No 344) ought not to pass. (Messrs. Hinds of Webster, Meyer of Boston and Sullivan of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Taken from the Table.

Lowell, Law-
rence and Hav-
erhill Street
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the Bill to incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 122) was taken from the table.

Mr. Lakin moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows: "*Section 8.* Said corporation shall be subject, in respect to so much of its railway as is located on and along any highway, or other way, to all general laws which now are or hereafter may be in force relating to street railways and street railway companies; and in respect to so much of its railway as is located on private land, and across any highway, or other way, to all general laws which now are or hereafter may be in force relating to railroads and railroad corporations."

Pending this amendment, and pending certain amendments previously moved by Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Lakin, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

On further motion of Mr. Lakin, the Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 76) was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Haverhill and
Amesbury
Street Railway
Company.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, the Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 25, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Green of Belchertown, the Resolve in favor of William H. Robison (House, No. 290) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 19, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

William H.
Robison.

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 18.

Lobsters.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 18, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company of
Boston.

Constitutional
amendment,—
division of
towns.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution relative to the division of towns (House, No. 397) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, under a further suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

People's Street
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, the Bill to incorporate the People's Street Railway Company (House, No. 378) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Exemption
from taxation of
municipal
obligations.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 425).

Pending the amendment, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, April 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills enacted and a Resolve passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett ; and

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate ; and

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, no legis- ^{Orders of the}
 lation necessary, on the report of the State Board of ^{day.}
 Agriculture on the best methods to be adopted in order
 to protect citizens of this Commonwealth against the
 dangers to human life and health which may arise from
 the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle,
 was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of
 its water fund bonds (House, No. 410) ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of
 the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (House,
 No. 412) ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional
 water loan (House, No. 416) ;

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to
 supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the
 district (House, No. 417) ; and

Providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws
 regulating the employment of women and minors in manu-
 facturing establishments (Senate, No. 105) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State
 Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 413) ; and

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence
 (House, No. 414) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
 third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the retirement of judges of probate and
 insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331) ;

Relative to the compensation of the special justices of
 the district court of Northern Berkshire (House, No.
 352) ;

To amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887 and
 subsequent acts in amendment thereof so as to extend and
 regulate the liability of employers to make compensation
 for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service
 (House, No. 389) ;

Relative to appointments on the Governor's staff
 (House, No. 367) ;

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 383) ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness (House, No. 399) ; and.

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket (House, No. 401) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the town of Nantucket (House, No. 396) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 85), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was furthered considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Rosnosky of Boston and Charles of Boston, were withdrawn by those gentlemen, there being no objection.

Mr. Roe of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the word "provided," and inserting in place thereof the word "Resolved."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House. On motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, Rule 15 was suspended.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Commonwealth, was further considered.

Mr. Savage of Lowell moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve in favor of Carney Hospital" (House, No. 393).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the resolve moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 109 to 46, and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, at nineteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Mr. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Leave was granted Mr. Norton of Boston to introduce the Resolve, laid over from yesterday, relating to certificates of membership in the General Court. The committee on Rules having reported that the resolve came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Certificates of membership in the General Court.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, remonstrances of the selectmen of Gardner and others, and of the selectmen of Athol and others, — severally, against the discontinuance of the sessions of the probate court in Templeton.

Worcester County, — sessions of the probate court in Templeton.

Severally to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, petition of the New England Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church that the appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition may be conditional upon the Sunday closing of said exposition.

World's Columbian Exposition, — Sunday closing.

By Mr. Parker of Methuen, petition of George M. Phippen and others of Methuen ; and by Mr. Batcheller of Sutton, petition of H. W. Carter and others of Millbury, — severally, for a change in the present system of the support of schools, so that the burden shall be more evenly distributed.

Support of schools.

*Orders.*Committee on
Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Springfield, —
Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth.

Id.

The following order, offered by Mr. Adams of Springfield, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park : —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be granted further time to report upon matters before them.

Committee on
Public Health.

The following order, offered by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be granted until April 29 to report upon matters before them.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— care of paupers.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers ; and

City of Boston,
— enforcement
of laws relating
to gambling.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in Boston in the executive of said city ;.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

Record of
claims against
real estate.

A Bill in relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate (Senate, No. 131) (reported, in part, on the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 on the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing records of deeds, etc.), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House order : —

Reports of the
joint special
committees
appointed by

Ordered, That the joint special committee appointed by the last Legislature to consider the subject of greater uni-

formity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects, be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 21.

the last Legislature to sit during the recess.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of an order relative to providing that the Commonwealth shall pay the expense incurred in the employment of a stenographer and of printing the evidence in the hearings before the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, relating to the building of a bridge between Boston and East Boston, said board having no appropriation therefor, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Finance. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Harbor and Land Commissioners, — expense of hearing on the matter of the East Boston bridge.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 81) ought to pass. Read, and on motion of Mr. Durant, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Suffolk County, — sittings of probate courts.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors (House, No. 66). On motion of Mr. Durant, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Insolvent debtors.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac Rosnosky for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889,

Mount Hope Cemetery in Boston.

entitled "An Act to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and sent up for concurrence.

Mechanics'
liens.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics, laborers or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor. (Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.) Read, and on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
school-houses.

By Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (re-committed) relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor on premises within a certain distance of a school-house, so that the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms. (Mr. Reade of the Senate, and Messrs. Sullivan of Boston and Halley of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.)

Hours of labor
of paper mill
employees.

By Mr. Green of Belchertown, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees. (Mr. Howard of the Senate, and Mr. Ross of New Bedford, of the House, dissenting).

Kellen's Index
Digest.

By Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston, from the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth at the expense of the Commonwealth.

Railroad
transportation
between Boston
and New York.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to secure quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York.

Street railways,
— reports of
accidents.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to make a report in

writing and under oath of all accidents occurring in connection with the operation of street railways. (Mr. Wood of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

By Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation compelling street railways to apply to their cars the most approved pattern of fenders for the protection of life and limb.

Street railways,
— fenders.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the city of Marlborough. (House, No. 430.)

City of Marl-
borough.

By Mr. Kelihier of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth. (House, No. 432.)

Horace S.
Crowell, —
bridges in the
town of Fal-
mouth.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Insurance, on bills on leave, on orders and a petition, a Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations. (House, No. 429.)

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem. (House, No. 433.)

Crombie Street
Church in
Salem.

By Mr. Chance of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on orders and petitions, a Bill to amend chapter 357 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places. (House, No. 431.)

Sweating
system.

By Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds. (House, No. 435.) (Mr. Bliss of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Massachusetts
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Dennis of Salem, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company. (House, No. 434.)

Essex Electric
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth. (House, No. 436.)

Town of
Plymouth, —
Oak Grove
Cemetery.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs.

By Mr. Woodward of Franklin, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to regulate the sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs. (Mr. Arnold of the Senate, and Messrs. Buck of Stockbridge, Adams of Springfield and Gallup of Clarksburg, of the House, dissenting.) Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 346 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston, and a petition relative to the same subject, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Methuen Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending certain amendments recommended by the committee on Water Supply, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Onset Water Company of Wareham.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Medway Water Company.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

On further motion of Mr. Burke, the Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day for that day.

Medfield Water
Company.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply ;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion ;

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex ; and

Relative to liens on buildings and land ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to unite the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and petitions in aid of the same ; and

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation compelling street railways of this Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city, and on an order relative to the same subject ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Tax Commissioner and the Commissioner of Corporations for

the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process; and

Of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the Twenty-third Annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State prison injured in the discharge of their duty (House, No. 422);

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 126); and

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways (Senate, No. 135); and

Resolves:

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General (House, No. 421); and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson (House, No. 423);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district (House, No. 295);

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds (House, No. 319);

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton (House, No. 306);

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 347);

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead (House, No. 368);

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (House, No. 308);

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district (House, No. 307);

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 351);

To provide for re-counting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 400) ;

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds (House, No. 410) ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan (House, No. 416) ; and

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district (House, No. 417) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 413) ; and

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence (House, No. 414) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to changes in the names of certain corporations (Senate, No. 119) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill enabling a political party polling two per centum of the vote for governor to make nominations (House, No. 326) was taken up.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Charles of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21. Mr. Chance of Boston moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Friday, April 22, which motion was lost. The motion of Mr. Charles prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and to supply fuel for their citizens at cost, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester.

The Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury (House, No. 353) was further considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of

Massachusetts (Senate, No. 68) was read a third time and considered.

Point of order.

Mr. Hinds of Webster raised the point of order that the bill was not properly before the House, for the reason that it was in violation of House Rule No. 29, which provides that "when the object of an application, whether by petition, order or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be."

The Speaker ruled that, in accordance with the general rule of the House, a point of order in regard to a bill and in relation to its consideration as reported by the committee must be made before the bill has been ordered to a third reading. It has been so held with regard to Rule 89, which has to do with the question of amendments that are beyond the scope of the order or petition on which a bill may have been reported. Rule 29 has to do with the action of the committee, and the point of order should have been raised before the bill had been acted upon by the House, by passing it through its several readings. It is now too late to review or revise the action of the committee on a point of order, and accordingly the point of order was declared not well taken.

After debate the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the procedure in hearings before boards in which testimony is taken affecting private rights or public interests, was considered.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved that the report be laid on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 50 to 70. Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until to-morrow. After debate the motion prevailed, and the report was accordingly postponed.

The reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that, when requested by the Civil Service Commissioners, the Attorney-General

shall consult and advise with them on questions of law relating to their official business; and

On so much of the Civil Service Commissioners' report as relates to requesting advice from the Attorney-General in certain cases;

Were severally laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees (House, No. 297) was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the House,—

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at ten minutes before three o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow morning at half-past ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, April 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, remonstrance of Joseph A. Baker and others of Fall River; by Mr. Nye of Barnstable, remonstrance of Arnold B. Sanford, Simeon B. Chase and others of Fall River; by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, remonstrances of F. E. Clarke and 90 other employees of the Pemberton and Methuen Co., of W. E. Parker and other employees of the Pacific Mills, and of W. F. Sherman and others of the Atlantic Mills, all of Lawrence, — severally, against any reduction of the hours of labor.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Andrew J.
Pixley.

A petition, presented by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, of A. R. Willard that Andrew J. Pixley may be made eligible to receive State aid, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Tucker, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Support of
schools.

A petition, presented by Mr. Brigham of Hudson, of Lucius P. Bent and 80 others of Sudbury for a change in the present system of the support of schools, so that the burden thereof shall be more evenly distributed, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted :—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be granted until April 29 to report upon matters before them. Committee on Public Health.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered :—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be granted further time to report on matters before them. Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 29." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally laid over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester :—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Drainage.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Election Laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be granted until Monday, April 25, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, April 22, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Military Affairs.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Joint special
committee on
Rapid Transit.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
State House.

Ordered, That the committee on State House be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

Report of the
State Board
of Health,—
sewerage and
sewage disposal.

A report of the committee on Drainage, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield.

County com-
missioners,—
vacancies.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

Konkapot
Valley Railroad
Company.

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company (Senate, No. 136) ;

City of Lynn,—
water rates.

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 137) ; and

Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 138);

(Severally reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House Resolutions relating to the establishment of a life saving station at City Point came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The resolutions were referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands and sent up for concurrence.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for authority to take land for play grounds and parks and to borrow \$200,000 beyond the limit allowed by law, for the purpose of defraying the cost thereof, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

The House petition of Amasa Pratt for legislation to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bardwell of Montague, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the petitions of S. E. Bridgeman and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers, as relates to the registration of names for voting, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Election Laws. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the

City of Lynn, —
Inspector of
provisions.

County of
Worcester, —
county estimate.

Life saving
station at City
Point, South
Boston.

City of Cam-
bridge, — parks.

Town of
Tyngsborough.

Woman suf-
frage, — regis-
tration of names
of women for
voting.

Report of the
Comptroller of
County
Accounts.

fifth annual report of the Comptroller of County Accounts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gillett.

Interest, —
loans.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to create and affix a penalty for the making by brokers or money loaners of loans at a greater rate of interest than eighteen per cent. per annum. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lawrence of Medford.

Report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to printing 3,000 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

Report of the
State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

By Mr. Fay of Northampton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Clark of Palmer.

Statistics
concerning
forests, wood-
lands and pub-
lic parks.

By Mr. Leonard of Waltham, from the joint special committee on Public Reservations, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to the collection of statistics and information concerning forests, woodlands and public parks.

Report of the
Charles River
Improvement
Commission.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Leonard.

Lobbyists.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to further legislation by which all legislative agents or lobbyists shall be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Durant.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (House, No. 439) ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Clark, the rules

were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

By Mr. Crosby of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) relating to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Gloucester ought not to pass. Read, and on motion of Mr. Crosby, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was rejected as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

City of Gloucester, — 250th anniversary.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General.

Report of the Attorney-General.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of the employers' liability act; to the passage of general instead of special laws; to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature; and to a change in the system of land transfer.

Employers' liability, — general laws, — railroad passes to members of the Legislature, — change in the system of land transfer.

Severally read and laid on the table, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Gillett.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others of Lynn in aid of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection be given to material that is now given to labor. (Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke dissenting.)

Liens.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, so as to confer exclusive and concurrent jurisdiction upon the supreme judicial and superior courts in winding up the affairs of such corporations.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Severally read and laid on the table, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Warren.

By Mr. Easland of Great Barrington, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending section one of chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to fines for imperfect weaving. Read and laid on the table, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Delaney of Fall River.

Weaving.

**Woman
suffrage.**

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Julia Ward Howe and others that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors.

Id.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Lucy Stone and others of Boston that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors and other officers.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment to the Constitution to establish equal political rights for all American citizens irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the petitions of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers, as relates to the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally read and laid on the table, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Gardner.

**Abandoned
farms.**

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall cause a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts (for the reason that the end sought by said order will be in part promoted by the passage of the Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, already before the House).

**Report of the
Insurance Com-
missioner, —
life, casualty
and assessment
insurance.**

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on Part II. of the 36th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner (taken from the files of last year), relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance.

By Mr. Bryant of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations. (House, No. 405.)

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, — fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the Province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod.

Public reservations, — Province lands on Cape Cod.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies. (House, No. 438.)

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, that the Resolve (recommended) providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the division of towns (House, No. 397) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the voters of a town to the incorporation of a new town from any part of its territory." (House, No. 440.) (Messrs. Ray and McDonald, of the Senate, and Messrs. Rugg of Grafton, Lanigan of Boston and Driscoll of Springfield, of the House, dissenting.)

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company. (House, No. 446.) (Messrs. Simpkins and West, of the Senate, and Messrs. Austin of Taunton and Nye of Barnstable, of the House, dissenting.)

Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in part, a Bill relating to special justices of inferior courts. (House, No. 441.)

Special justices of inferior courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill in relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony. (House, No. 442.)

Witnesses in cases of felony.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in

Naturalization in inferior courts.

part, a Bill relating to naturalization in inferior courts. (House, No. 443.)

Criminal cases,
— procedure
upon a writ of
error.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill in relation to procedure upon a writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases. (House, No. 444.)

Water supplies.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water. (House, No. 445.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Towns of West
Stockbridge,
Richmond,
Egremont, Shef-
field and New
Marlborough, —
schools.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools.

John A. Floyd.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John A. Floyd.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Mechanics'
liens.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics, laborers or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 28.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Railroad fares.

Mr. Crosby of Worcester moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391). After debate the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Political par-
ties, —
nominations.

On motions of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the

petition of the State central committee of the socialist labor party that a political party polling a number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21.

On motions of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to changing the present system of support of the public schools so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth; also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation for the expenditure for public schools, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day.

Support of
public schools.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Woman
suffrage.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21.

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill, the Bill to permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church (House, No. 398) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Wellesley
Congregational
Church.

Mr. St. John moved to amend in section 2, line 9, by striking out the words "also the care of said lots and graves."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of paper mill
employees.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and of providing that the executor of any will or the administrator upon any estate, into whose possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties entitled by said conditions to receive the same said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth at the expense of the Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to secure quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation compelling street railways to apply to their cars the most

approved pattern of fenders for the protection of life and limb;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the widening of Walter Street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor (Senate, No. 115);

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club (House, No. 406);

To establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth (House, No. 415);

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 128);

Making the record of instruments affecting the title of lands conclusive evidence of delivery (Senate, No. 132);

To amend chapter 357 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (House, No. 431);

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth (House, No. 432);

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem (House, No. 433);

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company (House, No. 434); and

To authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (House, No. 436);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 339); and

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (House, No. 412); and

Resolves:

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General (House, No. 421); and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson (House, No. 423);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (Senate, No. 93) ; and

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 126) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees (House, No. 297), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend in section 1, by striking out, in lines 8, 9 and 10, the words "case of accident, or unavoidable delay, extra labor may be performed for extra compensation," and inserting in place thereof the words, "cases of actual necessity, accident or necessary delay in the running of trains; or in cases where it requires more than eleven hours for the average round trip, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the employee from working more than the said ten hours for extra compensation."

The same gentleman further moved to amend in section 2, line 3, by striking out the words "one hundred," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend in section 1 by inserting in line 3, after the word "fifteen," the word "dollars," which was adopted.

Point of order. Mr. Lakin of Westfield raised the point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the orders considered by the committee and upon which it was reported.

Pending the point of order, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, at five minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Warren of Boston had been appointed to preside. Mr. Warren accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Insurance, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Part I. of the 37th report of the Insurance Commissioner, — fire and marine insurance.

The report of the Auditor of Accounts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Finance, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Report of the Auditor of Accounts.

Petitions Presented.

Remonstrances, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of William Whitman, president of the Association of Wool Manufacturers, and others against any reduction of the hours of labor in factories, were referred to the committee on Labor, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor.

A petition, presented by Mr. Roe of Worcester, of the officers of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society for the appointment of a commission of inquiry to ascertain the relations of the liquor traffic to crime and pauperism, and its effects upon the financial and industrial interests of the Commonwealth, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Roe, the 12th joint

Intoxicating liquors, — crime and pauperism.

rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Support of
schools.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, petition of G. R. Clark of Ludlow for a change in the present system of the support of schools, so that the burden shall be more equally distributed.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, petition of the Boston Christian Endeavor Union that all further appropriations to the World's Columbian Exposition may be conditional upon the Sunday closing of the exposition.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint commit-
tee on Probate
and Insolvency.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until Friday, April 22, in which to report upon matters referred to them.

The following order was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester : —

Committee on
Railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be granted further time in which to report upon matters referred to them.

The following orders, laid over from Friday, were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Drainage.

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be granted until Monday, April 25, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, April 22, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Military Affairs.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Ordered, That the committee on State House be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on State House.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by striking out the words “further time,” and inserting in place thereof the words “until April 29.”

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report on matters now before them. Committee on Election Laws.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend by striking out the words “April 29,” and inserting in place thereof the words “May 6.”

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was considered :—

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by striking out the words “further time” and inserting in place thereof the words “until May 2.”

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

**Woman
suffrage.**

By Mr. Fairbanks of Warren, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Julia Ward Howe and others that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors.

Id.

By Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Lucy Stone and others of Boston that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors and other officers.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment to the Constitution to establish equal political rights for all American citizens irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the petitions of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers, as relates to the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers.

Severally read and laid on the table, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Gardner.

**Abandoned
farms.**

By Mr. Adams of Springfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall cause a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts (for the reason that the end sought by said order will be in part promoted by the passage of the Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, already before the House).

**Report of the
Insurance Com-
missioner, —
life, casualty
and assessment
insurance.**

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on Part II. of the 36th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner (taken from the files of last year), relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance.

By Mr. Bryant of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations. (House, No. 405.)

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, — fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, from the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the Province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod.

Public reservations, — Province lands on Cape Cod.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order, a Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies. (House, No. 438.)

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, that the Resolve (recommended) providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the division of towns (House, No. 397) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the voters of a town to the incorporation of a new town from any part of its territory." (House, No. 440.) (Messrs. Ray and McDonald, of the Senate, and Messrs. Rugg of Grafton, Lanigan of Boston and Driscoll of Springfield, of the House, dissenting.)

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

By Mr. Holmes of Chelsea, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company. (House, No. 446.) (Messrs. Simpkins and West, of the Senate, and Messrs. Austin of Taunton and Nye of Barnstable, of the House, dissenting.)

Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in part, a Bill relating to special justices of inferior courts. (House, No. 441.)

Special justices of inferior courts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill in relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony. (House, No. 442.)

Witnesses in cases of felony.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Comptroller of County Accounts, in

Naturalization in inferior courts.

part, a Bill relating to naturalization in inferior courts. (House, No. 443.)

Criminal cases,
— procedure
upon a writ of
error.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, on the report of the Attorney-General, in part, a Bill in relation to procedure upon a writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases. (House, No. 444.)

Water supplies.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water. (House, No. 445.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Towns of West
Stockbridge,
Richmond,
Egremont, Shef-
field and New
Marlborough, —
schools.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools.

John A. Floyd.

By Mr. Atwood of Kingston, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John A. Floyd.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Mechanics'
liens.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics, laborers or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 28.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Railroad fares.

Mr. Crosby of Worcester moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391). After debate the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Political par-
ties, —
nominations.

On motions of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the

petition of the State central committee of the socialist labor party that a political party polling a number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21.

On motions of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to changing the present system of support of the public schools so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth; also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation for the expenditure for public schools, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26, to be placed fifth in the orders of the day for that day. Support of
public schools.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Woman
suffrage.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 21. Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. St. John of Haverhill, the Bill to permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church (House, No. 398) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. Wellesley
Congregational
Church.

Massachusetts
Reformatory, —
sentences.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory. (House, No. 454.)

Id.

By Mr. Richmond of Abington, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massachusetts Reformatory. (House, No. 453.)

Municipal court
of the city of
Boston, —
assistant proba-
tion officer.

By Mr. Dacey of Boston, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston. (House, No. 452.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Prison
and Massachu-
setts Reforma-
tory, — pension-
ing of officers.

By Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for pensioning officers of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Christie A. Fisk.

By Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Christie A. Fisk.

State printing.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, from the committee on Printing, on an order and a resolve introduced on leave, a Resolve in relation to the State printing. (Mr. Chance of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

State prison.

By Mr. Potter of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve to provide for repairs at the State prison.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve providing for improvements at the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Id.

By Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Resolve to provide additional cell-room at the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or altering the provisions of the first clause of section 18 of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the admission of evidence of private conversations between husband and wife, was taken from the table, and was accepted.

Husband and wife, — private conversations.

On motions of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 26.

Savings banks, — deposits to be placed on interest monthly.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "Provided said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Taxation of personal property.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 200) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments, the bill was, on further motion of Mr. Woodsum, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, April 22.

Intoxicating liquors, sale of, at summer resorts.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 365) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question

Salaries of the county commissioners for Norfolk County.

on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, April 29.

Settlement of
illegitimate
children.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Bill concerning the settlement of illegitimate children (Senate, No. 127) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 429) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Chester moved to amend by adding at the end of section 9 the words "*provided*, that there may be deducted from this amount any sum paid to such certificate-holder from the funds of the corporation on account of disability."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Chester moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27. Mr. Daley of Lynn moved that the further consideration be postponed until Monday, May 2, which latter motion prevailed by a vote of 88 to 12, and the bill was accordingly so postponed.

Central Massa-
chusetts Rail-
road Company.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds (House, No. 435) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 3.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company;
To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner;
To prevent the spread of tuberculosis;

Relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee;

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge;

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing;

Fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk;

Relative to the change of names of corporations;

To authorize street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases; and

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and to increase its capital stock;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Relating to changes in the name of certain corporations; and

To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills:

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell (House, No. 369);

To establish the salaries of the justices of the superior court (House, No. 381);

In relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate (Senate, No. 131);

Relating to special justices of the inferior courts (House, No. 441) ;

In relation to procedure upon a writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases (House, No. 444) ; and

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 137) ; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the voters of a town to the incorporation of a new town from any part of its territory (House, No. 440) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club (House, No. 406) ; and

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem (House, No. 433) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments (Senate, No. 105) ; and

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways (Senate, No. 135) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391), being the unfinished business of Friday, was taken up.

The Speaker ruled that the pending point of order, that the bill was broader in its scope than the orders on which it was reported, raised by Mr. Lakin of Westfield, was well taken.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to strike out section 2. The Speaker stated that the motion would be entertained by unanimous consent. Objection being made, the motion was not put to the House.

Point of order.

Mr. Moriarty moved a suspension of joint rule No. 5, to allow the bill to be recommitted. Mr. Olmstead raised the point of order that, the Speaker having ruled that the bill was not in order, the motion to recommit should not be entertained. The Speaker stated that, under decisions

of previous speakers, it has been held that when a bill has been ruled to be out of order, a motion to recommit could be entertained, although a motion to amend could not be entertained, and that the motion to suspend the rule was merely incidental to the motion to recommit.

After debate, the motion to suspend joint rule No. 5 prevailed by a vote of 103 to 31, and, after further debate, the motion to recommit prevailed, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters, was further considered.

Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to repeal 'An Act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters'" (House, No. 327).

After debate, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Gilbride of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 10, by striking out the word "five" and inserting in place thereof the word "three" also by striking out all after the word "corporations" in line 13 of the same section.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett.

On the first amendment the question was first put on allowing the word "five" to remain in the bill, which was adopted. The remaining amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding houses for infants (House, No. 311) was taken up. Pending certain amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock, adjourned, by a vote of 89 to 42.

TUESDAY, April 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Messages from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor,—
State Prison.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Board of Commissioners of Prisons requesting an appropriation of \$5,000 for repairing the workshops at the State Prison, damaged by fire April 18. The message was read, and with the accompanying communication was, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Veto message,
— salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Williamstown.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, returning with his objections thereto the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (House, No. 187). The message was read, and pending the question "Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the bill and message were, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow. (House, No. 461.) The message was as follows:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 19, 1892.

To the Honorable House of Representatives.

I return to you herewith with my objections the bill entitled "An Act to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown," which originated in your body.

The Legislature has recently created a joint special committee to sit during the recess of the Legislature, and to consider whether the salaries of justices and clerks of the police, municipal and district courts of the Commonwealth should be raised, reduced or equalized.

I am informed that there are now pending before the Legislature or its committees numerous applications for an increase of

salary of various justices and clerks of these courts. In my judgment, these applications should not now be acted upon, pending an examination of the whole question of salaries in said courts by said committee.

The salary paid in any court must depend to some extent upon the salaries paid in other like courts; and an increase of any one salary may affect the salaries to be paid generally for like service. Under the circumstances the salary of any single judge or clerk I believe should be considered broadly with reference to the salaries in all of said courts, as proposed by the Legislature in its appointment of this special committee, and should not be the subject of a special act at the request of the party interested or others in his behalf.

I regret to differ in opinion with the Legislature on this matter, which is not in itself of great importance; but, with other like applications pending, I believe it important and just that all should be considered in the manner I have suggested, which accords with the prior action of the Legislature.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Luby of Fall River, of John W. Pierson and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week, was referred to the committee on Labor, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

By Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, petition of the mayor of Pittsfield that said city may be authorized to remove from the old burial ground on Melville street in said city the remains interred therein, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Burbank, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Pitts-
field, — burial
ground.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the school committees of the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee, for authority to form a school superintendency district, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. McCall, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Towns of
Sandwich,
Bourne and
Mashpee, —
school superin-
tendency dis-
trict.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered : —

Committee on
Railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be granted further time in which to report on matters before them.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 29."

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Reports :

Manual training
and industrial
education.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to manual training and industrial education ; and

Exemption from
taxation of
State and
municipal
securities.

Of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Rights of way
across railroads.

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription (Senate, No. 129) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners) ;

City of Boston,
— parks.

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city (Senate, No. 143) (reported on an order and petitions) ; and

Plymouth
County Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 144) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Chelsea,
— public parks.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (House, No. 366) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit : In

section 1, lines 3 and 4, striking out the words "for the site of a public building or;" also striking out, at the end of line 4, the word "public," and adding, in line 5, after the word "park," the word "way;" also in the title, by striking out the words "public building or for park purposes," and inserting in place thereof the words "park way."

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the rule was suspended, and after debate, the House refused to concur in the amendments, by a vote of 39 to 40.

Petitions of Henry M. Loring and others, and of Hiram Temple and others, — severally, for an appropriation of \$25,000 to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Public reservations, — province lands.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Moriarty, and sent up for concurrence.

New Bedford Real Estate Association.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together (House, No. 273). On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Witness fees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg. (House, No. 457.)

Town of Williamsburg. — town meeting.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown. (House, No. 458.)

Town of Belchertown. — town meeting.

Town of
Goshen.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen. (House, No. 456.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Transportation
of State publi-
cations fur-
nished to free
public libraries.

On motion of Mr. Roe of Worcester, the Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries was taken from the table. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating
liquors, sale
of, by grocers.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by grocers (House, No. 318) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Point of order.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Sullivan of Boston raised the point of order that it was broader in its scope than the petition upon which it was reported.

The Speaker stated that the petition asked that the sale of malt and spirituous liquors be prohibited, that the bill provided for prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, and inasmuch as, from the authority given (3 Gray, Mass. Rep.), it appeared that there were intoxicating liquors other than malt and spirituous liquors, he ruled that the point of order was well taken.

Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved a suspension of joint rule No. 5 to allow the bill to be recommitted, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law, which motion prevailed, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Constitutional
amendment, —
taking of tracts
of land in cer-
tain cases.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize cities and towns to take land and property for widening or laying out streets or highways (House, No. 402) was discharged

from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 25, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, postponed for further consideration until Monday, April 25, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Public reservations, — prov-
ince lands on
Cape Cod.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Finance.

Cape Cod
Maritime Canal
Company.

On motion of Mr. Bacheller of Lynn, the Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 138) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

City of Lynn, —
inspector of
provisions.

Mr. Bacheller moved to amend in section 1, line 6, by striking out the word "February," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" also in line 7, by striking out the word "March," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" also in line 8, by inserting after the word "appointed," the words "and may be removed by said board for cause."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

Town of
Plymouth,—
Oak Grove
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (House, No. 436) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Atwood moved to amend by adding at the end of the bill the following: "The principal or income of any property which may be now or hereafter payable to said Oak Grove Cemetery Association or its authorities shall be paid under the same terms and conditions to the authorities of said Vine Hills Cemetery."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of railroad
employees.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees (House, No. 450) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches;

Relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt;

To authorize the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate; and

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ; and

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall cause a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts (for the reason that the end sought by said order will be in part promoted by the passage of the bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, already before the House) ; and Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing the office of a superintendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. W. Matthews and others for an act of incorporation as the Primitive Methodist Church of the United States of America, East Conference ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ; and

On an order relative to authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River (House, No. 409) ;

To amend an act to incorporate the city of Marlborough (House, No. 430) ;

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony (House, No. 442) ;

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company (Senate, No. 136) ;

To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 452) ; and

To confirm the proceedings of a town meeting of the town of Stoughton (House, No. 455) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company (House, No. 434) ;

To establish the salaries of the justices of the superior court (House, No. 381) ;

Relating to special justices of inferior courts (House, No. 441) ; and

In relation to procedure upon a writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases (House, No. 444) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery (Senate, No. 132) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Printing, and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same ; also the advis-

ability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Commonwealth, for the purpose of doing the State printing; hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings; investigate the methods of carrying on State owned and controlled printing offices in other States of the Union, by procuring documents and reports in relation thereto; and, if deemed desirable, employ an expert accountant to examine books and charges for printing work.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor (House, No. 246) was read a third time. On the question on agreeing to the article of amendment the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was agreed to and sent up for concurrence, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 166 yeas to 2 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Adams, John W.
Allen, James E.
Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Bacheller, Charles M.
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blanchard, S. Stillman

Messrs. Blodgett, Percival

Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brigham, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Brown, Samuel J.
Buckley, William P.
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael

Messrs. Charles, Salem D.

Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George P.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Durant, William B.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 French, Russell M.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward

Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus

Hoyt, Warren
 Hyde, William S.
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lincoln, Stephen B.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.

Messrs. Proctor, George O.	Messrs. Smith, Sylvanus
Richardson, Albert W.	Soule, George L.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	St. John, Thomas E.
Richmond, Silas P.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Rivers, George R. R.	Taft, Henry G.
Roe, Alfred S.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Ross, Samuel	Tucker, George F.
Rugg, George H.	Turner, Edward E.
Ruggles, Henry E.	Warren, Bentley W.
Savage, Patrick J.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Shute, Charles F.	Winslow, George S.
Simonds, George R.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Smith, James B.	Wood, Frank C.
Smith, Sumner	Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Mr. Clough, George S. Mr. Horton, Everett S.
Yeas, 166 ; Nays, 2.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows : —

Resolved, That the following article of amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court, and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

Article of Amendment.

So much of article two of section 1 of chapter 2 of part the second of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words : “ and unless he shall at the same time be seized, in his own right, of a freehold within the Commonwealth of the value of one thousand pounds,” is hereby annulled.

The Bill to provide for pensioning officers of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory was rejected, as

recommended by the committee on Prisons, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding houses for infants (House, No. 311), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading were adopted, to wit:—

In section 2 strike out the words “provided that the burden of proof shall be on the defendant,” and add at the end of said section the following words: “*Provided* that, if, in any prosecution under this act, the defendant relies upon the relationship of any of said infants to himself in defence, the burden shall be upon said defendant to prove said relationship;” in section 8, line 13, strike out the words “are allowed by law and” and insert in line 15, after the word “infant,” the words “and as are not inconsistent with law;” add at the end of section 14 the words “and acts amendatory thereof.”

After debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to annex a portion of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton (House, No. 270) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading. The amendment recommended by the committee on Towns, to strike out section 6 and insert a new section, to be numbered section 6, was amended, on motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, by striking out the word “common” and inserting in place thereof the word “city.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the amendment recommended by the committee on Towns was rejected by a vote of 27 to 85, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 42 to 79.

The Bill for the further protection of the fisheries of Buzzard’s Bay (House, No. 394) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved the previous question, which motion was lost by a vote of 49 to 73.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached.

After further debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, at the request of Mr. Barrows of Wareham, and, the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 55 yeas to 73 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, E. Elbridge
Ball, George S.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Battles, David W.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Percival
Breen, Daniel F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carter, James H.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Crowell, Elkanah
Dacey, Charles M.
Dennis, William D.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Durant, William B.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fay, James M.
Francis, Frank W.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Halley, Dennis E.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Hinds, John F.

Messrs. Howard, S. Edward
Jackson, Charles T.
Jennings, Henry J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kilduff, Richard G.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Lakin, James A.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Lawrence, William B.
Leonard, Mahlon B.
Low, Emery M.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McCarthy, Daniel
Merritt, Marcus M.
Nourse, Andrew L.
Nye, Charles H.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, James O.
Quinn, Thomas A.
Rivers, George R. R.
Rugg, George H.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sprague, Charles F.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Toomey, Daniel P.
Tucker, George F.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
Atwood, Edward B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bates, Jacob P.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Carroll, Michael

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.
Clough, George S.
Crosby, James P.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Daley, Edward L.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Fallon, James O.
Fletcher, J. Henry

Messrs. French, Russell M.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Galloupe, George A.	Miller, Horace E.
Gallup, William W.	Mooney, William L.
George, Edwin H.	Morse, Stillman F.
Giles, Joseph J.	O'Brien, John J.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Golding, John	Perkins, Augustus G.
Harding, N. Frank	Perkins, George W.
Hart, William H.	Presho, Edward W.
Hemenway, William H.	Read, Franklin F.
Hoar, John J.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Hobson, Charles H.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hooker, Charles H.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Horton, Everett S.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Hoyt, Warren	Savage, Patrick J.
Hyde, William S.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Shute, Charles F.
Jenks, George W.	Simonds, George R.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Smith, James B.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Smith, Sumner
Lane, Howard G.	Smith, Sylvanus
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Loud, John C.	Taft, Henry G.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Turner, Edward E.
McAnally, Frank	Wellman, Arthur H.
McLean, Isaac	Winslow, George S.
McLoughlin, John T.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Melaven, James F.	

Yeas, 55 ; Nays, 73.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

Mr. Warren, Bentley W.

NAY.

Mr. Moriarty, Eugene M.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Loud of Chelsea moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in certain amendments to the House Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (House, No. 366), and on his further motion the motion to reconsider was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27. On further motion of Mr. Loud the Clerk was directed to retain the papers.

City of Chelsea,
— public parks.

Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill for the further protection of the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 394). On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the motion to reconsider was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, April 26.

Buzzard's Bay,
— fisheries.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted an order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same.

Joint special
committee, —
State printing.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the motion to reconsider was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, and the Clerk was directed to retain the papers.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at twenty-three minutes before eleven o'clock, the House adjourned.

Town of
Plymouth,—
Oak Grove
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (House, No. 436) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Atwood moved to amend by adding at the end of the bill the following: "The principal or income of any property which may be now or hereafter payable to said Oak Grove Cemetery Association or its authorities shall be paid under the same terms and conditions to the authorities of said Vine Hills Cemetery."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of railroad
employees.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees (House, No. 450) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches;

Relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt;

To authorize the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate; and

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ; and

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for repairing damage Resolve passed.
caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson
(which originated in the House) was passed, signed and
sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legis- Orders of the day.
late, on an order relative to such legislation as shall cause
a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned
farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachu-
setts (for the reason that the effd sought by said order
will be in part promoted by the passage of the bill to
establish a commission to improve the highways of this
Commonwealth, already before the House) ; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate,
on an order relative to establishing the office of a super-
intendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies,
leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. W. Matthews and
others for an act of incorporation as the Primitive Methodist
Church of the United States of America, East Conference ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing for the grading and
classification of prisoners confined in the House of In-
dustry at Deer Island ; and

On an order relative to authorizing and requiring the
city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners
confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendment. On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the House insisted on its amendment, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary :

Report of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.
Id.

On Part I. of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ; and

On Part II. of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Hyde of Ware.

Reports :

Frank A. Bartholomew, —
Boston Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

Of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew for the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs ; and

Advertising of
legislative
committee
hearings.

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to ensure more efficient advertising of legislative committee hearings ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— liquor
licenses.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston ; and on an order relative to transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board, to be created for that purpose ;

City of Boston,
— statistics
relating to
health.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for legislation relating to the office of the register of deeds for the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties ;

Registers of
deeds and
clerks of courts.

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the lobby ;

Lobby.

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities and
towns.

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth ; and

Salaries of
district
attorneys.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents ;

West End
Street Railway
Company,—
record of acci-
dents.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 146) ;

Essex County
Safe Deposit
and Trust Com-
pany.

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West street in said city (Senate, No. 151) ;

City of Brock-
ton,— West
street.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield (Senate, No. 161) ;

Town of North
Brookfield,—
town meeting.

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred (Senate, No. 167) ;

North Adams
fire district.

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage (Senate, No. 149) (reported on the

Charles River
valley,—
sewerage.

annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners) ;

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners.

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes (Senate, No. 150) (reported on the supplementary report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners) ;

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity) ;

State Prison, —
classifying of
prisoners.

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison (Senate, No. 165) ;

Commissioners
of Prisons, —
notice of
appointment of
certain police
officers.

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers (Senate, No. 166) ;

(Severally reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons) ; and

Salary of the
justice of the
first district
court of East-
ern Worcester.

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester (Senate, No. 160) (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Torrens system
of land transfer.

A Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152) (reported, in part, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing records of deeds, etc.) ; and

Resolves :

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks, — laws
relating to
banks and bank-
ing.
Westborough
Insane Hos-
pital.

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking (Senate, No. 154) (reported on orders) ;

Providing for the purchase of land and buildings and for the purchase of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital (Senate, No. 155) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital) ; and

George O. Bent.

In favor of George O. Bent (Senate, No. 159) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office (House, No. 338) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit: adding at the end of section 1 the following: "He may appoint a cashier, for whose conduct he shall be accountable."

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

The House Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391), recommitted by the House to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of joint rule No. 5, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the House receded. Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Rules, which motion, after debate, was adopted. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was recommitted to the committee on Rules, which motion was lost.

Railroad fares.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills:—

To authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 168); and

Buzzard's Bay, — taking of menhaden and alewives.

Providing for a notice to be given to a person charged with liability for an injury caused by an intoxicated person (House, No. 283).

Intoxicating liquors, — notice of liability for damage.

Notice was also received from the Senate that the House Resolve (introduced on leave) relating to certificates of membership in the General Court; and

Certificates of membership in the General Court.

The House petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society for the appointment of a commission of inquiry to ascertain the relations of the liquor traffic to crime and pauperism, and its effects upon the financial and industrial interests of the Commonwealth;

Intoxicating liquors, — crime and pauperism.

Had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Superior court,
—equity docket.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106) ought to pass, with an amendment.

John A. Floyd.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of John A. Floyd ought to pass. (House, No. 462.)

Christie A.
Fisk.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Christie A. Fisk ought to pass. (House, No. 463.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Discharge of
small loans.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 28, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

On motions of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the reports :
Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court :

Woman
suffrage.

On the petitions of Lucy Stone and others of Boston that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Id.

On the petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors and other officers ; and

Id.

On so much of the petitions of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers as relates to the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers ; and

Id.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment to the Constitution to establish equal political rights

for all American citizens, irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs;

Were severally taken from the table, and, under a suspension of joint rule No. 5, in each case, the reports were severally recommitted to the committee on Woman Suffrage, with instructions to report in the Senate, and were severally sent up for concurrence.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438). After debate the motion was lost.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

The same gentleman further moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (House, No. 420). After debate the motion was lost.

Columbia Trust
Company.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the procedure in hearings before boards in which testimony is taken affecting private rights or public interest, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 27, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Procedure in
hearings before
administrative
boards and
commissions.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon the railroad lines in this Commonwealth (House, No. 379) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, April 29, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 116) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension

Grade cross-
ings.

of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 28, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

City of Brockton, — sewage.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater (House, No. 407) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 28.

City of Quincy and towns of Weymouth and Hingham, — street railway locations.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, the Bill to authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River (House, No. 409) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Bicknell moved to amend in section 1, line 14, by inserting, after the words "subject to," the words "widening and."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company;

Relating to the commitment of insane persons;

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed \$600,000;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports;

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license;

Relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds; and

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments ; and

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ;

Resolves passed.

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools ; a new edition of the school laws, and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to manual training and industrial education, was accepted, in concurrence.

Orders of the day.

Bills :

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts (House, No. 443) ;

To define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water (House, No. 445) ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 142) ;

To give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers (Senate, No. 120) ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen (House, No. 456) ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg (House, No. 457) ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown (House, No. 458) ; and

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription (Senate, No. 129) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State prison injured in the discharge of their duty (House, No. 422) ; and

To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 452) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals (Senate, No. 88) ; and

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 137) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the widening of Walter street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial-ground therefor (Senate, No. 115) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out, in section 2, lines 1 and 2, the words "sustaining damages in his property," and inserting in place thereof the words "or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth (House, No. 432) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out, in section 1, line 1, the words "his heirs and assigns ;" also by inserting, in line 9, after the word "statutes,"

the words "and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 128) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 6, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to confirm the proceedings of a town meeting of the town of Stoughton (House, No. 455) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 465), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial sessions of the Legislature, was further considered.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend by the substitution of "Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court" (House, No. 428).

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past one o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

After debate, the resolves moved as an amendment were substituted, and were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Mr. Carter of Wakefield moved that the House take a recess until half-past two, pending which motion, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, at twenty-eight minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

Committee on
Finance.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to hold meetings during the sessions of the House, when in their judgment matters referred to them make it necessary to do so.

Mileage of
members of the
General Court.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay Roll consider the expediency of modifying the mileage of the members of the House of Representatives as established by the order adopted on the third day of February in the year 1869, so as to correct such errors as may exist in the distances from the Capitol to the various towns and cities, as established by said order.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters referred to them.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence : —

Joint special
committee on
Rapid Transit.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature.

City of Boston,
— salaries to
members of
the common
council.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid to members of said common council, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

Relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments (Senate, No. 147) (reported on an order) ;

Schooling and
employment
of children.

In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies (Senate, No. 158) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks) ; and

Trust com-
panies,—
liability of
shareholders.

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 168) (reported on a petition) ;

Boston Sea-
men's Friend
Society.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury (Senate, No. 162), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Town of New-
bury,—town
meeting.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for the passage of an act to authorize said city to purchase or take land in Watertown, Belmont or Waltham, for the purpose of increasing its water supply, came down referred, under a suspension of the 9th and 12th joint rules, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, the petition was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

City of Cam-
bridge,—water
supply.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the protection of the water supply of said city, so as to permit the assessment of betterments upon lands benefited, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Fall
River,—water
supply.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) to extend the

Boston and
Maine Railroad

operation of section two of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (House, No. 208), ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title (House, No. 467) (Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Mellen of Worcester and Burke of Quincy, of the House, dissenting). Read and ordered to a second reading.

Towns of West
Stockbridge,
Richmond,
Egremont,
Sheffield and
New Marl-
borough,—
schools.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools ought to pass. (House, No. 468.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438). After debate, the motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

Edison Electric
Illuminating
Company of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock (Senate, No. 107) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Biennial or
triennial elec-
tions and ses-
sions.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

William H.
Robison.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, the Resolve in favor of William H. Robison (House, No. 290) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on passing it to be

engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 3.

On motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, the Bill authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock (House, No. 345) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 2.

Washington
Mills Company.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97).

Methuen Water
Company.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend the motion so as to include the other "water bills" in the calendar. The amendment was adopted, and accordingly the following bills were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and were severally postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 4, on motions of Mr. Tucker:—

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) (pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Water Supply, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed);

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131); and

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132);

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

(Pending the question, in each case, on passing the bill to be engrossed);

To incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340); and

Medway Water
Company.

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341);

Medfield Water
Company.

(Pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading).

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of

Orders of the
day.

employment ; also the expediency of making eight hours a day's work, and a petition relative to the same subject, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston ; and the order relative to transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board to be created for that purpose ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for legislation relating to the office of register of deeds for the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties ;

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the lobby ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city (Senate, No. 143) ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West street in said city (Senate, No. 151) ;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State prison (Senate, No. 165) ; and

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred (Senate, No. 167) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John A. Floyd (House, No. 462) ; and

In favor of Christie A. Fisk (House, No. 463) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires (House, No. 349) ;

To provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways (House, No. 386) ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen (House, No. 456) ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg (House, No. 457) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 142) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106) was read a second time. The amendment recommended by the committee on the Judiciary was adopted, to wit: striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 1.* Section five of chapter two hundred and twenty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by chapter three hundred and sixteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, is amended to read as follows: Such suits shall be entered upon the same docket as other cases in the superior court, except in Middlesex and Suffolk counties, where they shall be entered upon a separate docket, which shall be called the equity docket. All process shall be made returnable at the term next after fourteen days from the service of the process, if required to be served fourteen days before the return day, or at the term next after thirty days from such service, if required to be served thirty days before the return day, or at any rule day within three months after the service of the process. *Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect on the first day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House Bill requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office (House, No. 338), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to substitute a bill with the same title (House, No. 425), was rejected by a vote of 57 to 87, and the bill was rejected by a vote of 63 to 95.

Mr. Meyer of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts (House, No. 200), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill enabling a political party polling two per centum of the vote for Governor to make nominations (House, No. 326) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Rivers of Milton moved to amend in line 3 by inserting after the word "cast" the words "for governor;" also in line 5, by inserting before the word "electoral" the words "State officer or for any."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the amendments moved by Mr. Rivers were severally adopted by a vote of 73 to 63.

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 72 yeas to 91 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Samuel J.

Messrs. Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Golding, John
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.

Messrs. Lynch, John B.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Rugg, George H.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wolf, Bernard M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.

Messrs. Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fall, George
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harris, Charles E.

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Messrs. Hinds, John F.	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Holmes, Charles H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Horton, Everett S.	Perkins, George W.
Howard, George C.	Potter, Samuel A.
Hyde, William S.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jackson, Charles T.	Presho, Edward W.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Proctor, George O.
Jennings, Henry J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Lane, Howard G.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Shute, Charles F.
Lawrence, William B.	Simonds, George R.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Smith, James B.
Loud, John C.	Smith, Sumner
Lougee, Joseph L.	Smith, Sylvanus
Luther, William	Sprague, Charles F.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Stickney, Clarence
McCall, Samuel W.	Taft, Henry G.
Meyer, George v. L.	Tucker, George F.
Morse, Stillman F.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Norton, John H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Nye, Charles H.	Wood, Frank C.
Olmstead, James M.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Parker, Bowdoin S.	

Yeas, 72 ; Nays, 91.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Healy, Lemuel M.	Messrs. Harding, N. Frank*
Bennett, Frank P.*	Pratt, Amasa

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, at twenty-five minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Subway Company,—underground railways in Boston.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school (Senate, No. 153) ; and

Middlesex County,—truant school.

To authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners (Senate, No. 182) ;

Town of Nantucket,—sewer commissioners.

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves :

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education (Senate, No. 173) (reported on so much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools, and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments, and on the report of the commission on manual training and industrial education) ;

Manual training and industrial education.

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey (Senate, No. 175) (reported on the message from the

National monument at Trenton, N. J.

Governor relating to the participation of the Commonwealth in the erection of a national monument at Trenton, New Jersey) ; and

Massachusetts
Reformatory, —
purchase of
books.

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 177) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State Prison, —
repair of work-
shops.

A Resolve to provide for repairing workshops damaged by fire at the State Prison (Senate, No. 185) (reported on the message from the Governor concerning the damage by fire at the State Prison), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Dacey of Boston, it was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Intoxicating
liquors, sale
of, by grocers.

The House Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by grocers (House, No. 318), recommitted by the House to the committee on the Liquor Law, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule. Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved that the House recede, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 45 to 38. On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Rules.

Town of
Orange, —
water loan.

A petition of F. L. Waters and another of the town of Orange for the passage of a bill authorizing said town to provide for the payment of its water loan in annual payments which shall, in the aggregate, extinguish the debt at maturity, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, by a vote of 107 to 0.

Annexation of
Cambridge to
Boston.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to unite the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and petitions in aid of the same, had been indefinitely postponed.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the report from the Auditor of Accounts of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Expenses of committees for advertising.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve to provide for repairs at the State Prison ought to pass (House, No. 470). On motion of Mr. Buckley, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

State Prison, — repairs

By Mr. Keliber of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, that the Resolutions relative to the establishment of a life saving station at City Point ought to be adopted, in a new draft, with the same title (House, No. 472). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the resolutions. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Keliber, the rule was suspended, and the resolutions were adopted and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston, — life saving station at City Point.

The resolutions were as follows : —

Whereas, A serious accident has recently occurred off City Point in the city of Boston, whereby eight persons lost their lives by drowning ; and

Whereas, Many accidents of a similar nature have heretofore occurred near the same point and are likely to occur in the future, resulting in great loss of life, unless some provision is made for the rescue of persons in peril of drowning ;

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress are requested to lay before Congress, or before the proper officials of the national government, the importance of establishing and maintaining another life saving station on the coast of Massachusetts, to be located at City Point ;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to each Senator and Representative from this Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States.

Bass River
fisheries.

By Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries.

Seining in
Buzzard's Bay.

By Mr. Barrows of Wareham, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of George R. Wixon and others of Fairhaven for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Town of
Plymouth,—
Herring River
fisheries.

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for a share in the profits of the Herring River fisheries now appropriated by the town of Bourne.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to amend an act to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employed ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title (House, No. 471). Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Elections,—
party nomina-
tions.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill enabling a political party polling two per centum of the vote for Governor to make nominations (House, No. 326). After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky, and the roll being called the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 90 yeas to 107 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Brock, Lemuel M.

Messrs. Brogan, Patrick F.
Brown, Samuel J.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Casey, Joseph J.

Messrs. Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fallon, James O.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Green, George H. B.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.

Messrs. McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Newell, Richard
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bessom, Eugene A.

Messrs. Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.

Messrs. Danforth, John M.	Messrs. Low, Emery M.
Dennis, William D.	Luther, William
Durant, William B.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Dyar, Perlie A.	McCall, Samuel W.
Fiske, Granville C.	Meyer, George v. L.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Morse, Stillman F.
Friend, George H.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Galloupe, George A.	Norton, John H.
Gallup, William W.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Garfield, George H.	Nye, Charles H.
George, Edwin H.	Oakes, William H.
Giles, Joseph J.	Olmstead, James M.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Graham, John R.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Gray, Joshua S.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Hall, Henry C.	Perkins, George W.
Harding, N. Frank	Powers, Wilbur H.
Harris, Charles E.	Presho, Edward W.
Hemenway, William H.	Proctor, George O.
Hinds, John F.	Richardson, Albert W.
Hooker, Charles H.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Horton, Everett S.	Richmond, Silas P.
Howard, George C.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Howard, S. Edward	Rockwell, Henry F.
Howe, S. Augustus	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hoyt, Warren	Shute, Charles F.
Jackson, Charles T.	Smith, James B.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Smith, Sylvanus
Jenks, George W.	Soule, George L.
Jennings, Henry J.	Sprague, Charles F.
Jennison, Henry J.	St. John, Thomas E.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Taft, Henry G.
Lakin, James A.	Tucker, George F.
Lane, Howard G.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Wier, Fred N.
Lawrence, William B.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Wood, Frank C.
Loud, John C.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Lougee, Joseph L.	

Yeas, 90 ; Nays, 107.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.*	Messrs. Hyde, William S.
Melaven, James F.*	Brewer, Edward S.

* Present.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize cities and towns to take land and property for widening or laying out streets or highways (House, No. 402). After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 57 to 74.

Constitutional amendment, — eminent domain.

Mr. Blodgett of Templeton moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod. The motion was lost.

Public Reservations, — province lands on Cape Cod.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands (House, No. 323). The motion was lost by a vote of 74 to 91.

Street bands.

Mr. Kelly of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill amendatory of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties (House, No. 408). The motion was lost.

Insurance, — proof of claims under life policies.

Mr. Norton of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance, approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners, for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car. The motion was lost.

Street railways, — appliance for deadening noise of electric cars.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438). After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 42 to 84.

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Discharged from the Orders.

Volunteer
militia.

On motions of Mr. Dyar of Boston, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill (recommitted) to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Id.

On further motion of Mr. Dyar, the Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 418) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

License fee for
dogs.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the Bill relating to the license fee for dogs (House, No. 387) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

Town of North
Brookfield, —
town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, the Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield (Senate, No. 161) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relative to appointments on the staff of the commander-in-chief;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk;

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness;

To provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States ;

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds ;

To authorize the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church ;

Relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together ;

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston ;

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expenses incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ;

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting license for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district ;

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead ;

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ; and

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) :

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn ;

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals ; and

Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester ;

In favor of the town of Nantucket ;

In favor of James K. Barbour ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

In favor of Ella Raymond ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and for preparing and printing a general catalogue of the school ;

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates ;

Providing for finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building ; and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for repairing workshops damaged by fire at the State Prison (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage (Senate, No. 149) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown (House, No. 458) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John A. Floyd (House, No. 462) ; and

In favor of Christie A. Fisk (House, No. 463) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred (Senate, No. 167) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West street in said city (Senate, No. 151) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Senate petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for the passage of an act to authorize said city to purchase or take land in Watertown, Belmont or Waltham for the purpose of increasing its water supply. The House also concurred in the suspension of the 9th joint rule, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 9th and 12th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

The motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285) was considered. After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Meyer, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 86 yeas to 78 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ashley, Henry W.

Austin, J. Lewis

Bachelor, Charles M.

Baker, William G.

Barney, Benjamin B.

Bartlett, Robert G.

Bates, Jacob P.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bessom, Eugene A.

Blanchard, S. Stillman

Bliss, Frederic W.

Breen, Daniel F.

Brogan, Patrick F.

Brown, Benjamin F.

Burke, James F.

Casey, Joseph J.

Messrs. Charles, Salem D.

Chester, Dwight

Clark, Edward P.

Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Cutler, George P.

Dacey, Charles M.

Dennis, William D.

Dolan, William J.

Durant, William B.

Dyar, Perlle A.

Fallon, James O.

Ferren, Myron J.

Galloupe, George A.

Gardner, Arthur H.

Garfield, George H.

Giles, Joseph J.

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Messrs. Gillett, Frederick H.	Messrs. Meyer, George v. L.
Golding, John	Norton, John H.
Graham, John R.	Oakes, William H.
Hall, Henry C.	Olmstead, James M.
Harris, Charles E.	Perkins, George W.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Hoar, John J.	Presbo, Edward W.
Holmes, Charles H.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Howard, S. Edward	Richardson, Albert W.
Hoyt, Warren	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Kelly, Charles A.	Ross, Samuel
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Shute, Charles F.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Soule, George L.
Lawrence, William B.	Sprague, Charles F.
Loud, John C.	St. John, Thomas E.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Low, Emery M.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sundberg, John F.
Lynch, John B.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Tucker, George F.
McCall, Samuel W.	Turner, Edward E.
McCarthy, Daniel	Warren, Bentley W.
McEvoy, John W.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Wier, Fred N.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.
Allen, James E.	Connolly, Francis
Andrews, Miles S.	Crosby, James P.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Crowell, Elkanah
Ball, George S.	Delaney, Patrick
Bardwell, Henry D.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Barstow, Thomas	Fairbanks, Edward
Batcheller, Henry C.	Fay, James M.
Battles, David W.	Fiske, Granville C.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Francis, Frank W.
Blodgett, Albert G.	French, Russell M.
Blodgett, Percival	Gallup, William W.
Bourne, Franklin C.	George, Edwin H.
Brigham, William H.	Gray, Joshua S.
Buck, Anson	Green, George H. B.
Buckley, William P.	Hale, Charles H.
Burnham, Lewis	Halley, Dennis E.
Cannon, William	Harding, N. Frank
Carter, James H.	Hart, William H.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Heald, Joseph B.

Messrs. Healy, Lemuel
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Luther, William
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.

Messrs. Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, James B.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Woodward, Amos P.

Yeas, 86 ; Nays, 78.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry*
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Proctor, George O.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Savage, Patrick J.*
 Hemenway, William H.*
 Perkins, Augustus G.*
 Anderson, Stephen
 Coakley, Daniel H.*
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Barrett, Richard F.*
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Kilduff, Richard G.
 Rockwell, Henry F.*
 Atwood, Edward B.*
 Hinds, John F.*
 Crosman, Charles*
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Carroll, Michael
 Crane, George A.
 Jennings, Henry J.*
 Clough, George S.
 Chance, Charles J.*
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Driscoll, John A.*
 Howard, George C.*

* Present.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the Speaker (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park), at five minutes before five o'clock, declared the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Support of
public schools.

By Mr. Allen of Dartmouth, petition of John A. Macomber and others for a change in the present system of the support of schools so that the burden thereof shall be more evenly distributed.

Id.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of the town of Sutton, embodied in a resolution unanimously adopted by said town, in aid of the order relative to equalizing the cost of the support of public schools.

Papers from the Senate.

Manufacture
and sale of gas
by cities and
towns.

A report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Quincy and
Boston Street
Railway Com-
pany.

To authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton and in a certain portion of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 156) ;

Salaries of the
county commis-
sioners of Essex
County.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex (Senate, No. 174) ;

Town of
Newbury.

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker (Senate, No. 183) ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ; and

In relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 179) (reported on an order and a petition);

Suffolk County
court house.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Wenham for legislation authorizing said town to issue bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding \$3,000 for the purpose of refunding its existing indebtedness was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of
Wenham, —
refundng of
debt.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Merritt, and sent up for concurrence.

Elections, —
precinct voting.

By Mr. Crosman, of Athol, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to supply the town of Orange with water. (House, No. 477.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Crosman, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of
Orange, —
water supply.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 391) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 476.) (Mr. Bennett of Everett dissenting.)

Railroad fares.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond. (House, No. 481.)

Spot Pond.

By Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill in aid of and relating to an additional water supply for the Williamstown Water Company. (House, No. 475.)

Williamstown
Water Com-
pany.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State printing.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in relation to the State printing ought to pass. (House, No. 479.)

George O. Bent.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of George O. Bent (Senate, No. 159) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Street railways,
— appliance for
deadening the
noise of electric
cars.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance, approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners, for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Norton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars" (House, No. 478), which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Sewers.

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, the Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers (Senate, No. 120) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

It was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, in section 1, line 14, by striking out the word "or" and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" also in section 2, line 8, striking out the word "inhabitants" and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters thereof;" also in section 7, line 6, striking out the word "inhabitants" and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters;" also in section 8, line 17, inserting, after the word "city," the words "or town;" also in section 6, line 9, before the word "any," inserting the words "section 7," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Subway Company, — underground railways in Boston.

Bills enacted and a Resolve passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ; and

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; and

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Recess Taken.

At twenty minutes before one o'clock, on motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock.

Recess.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries ;

On petitions of George R. Wixon and others of Fairhaven for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ; and

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On the petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for a share of the profits of the Herring River fisheries now appropriated by the town of Bourne ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid to members of said common council ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 146) ;

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes (Senate, No. 150) ;

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers (Senate, No. 166) ;

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools (House, No. 468) ;

Relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments (Senate, No. 147) ;

In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies (Senate, No. 158) ;

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 168) ; and

To authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners (Senate, No. 182) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the city of Marlborough (House, No. 430) was read a third time,

amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a " Bill relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough " (House, No. 466), and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage (Senate, No. 149) ;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison (Senate, No. 165) ; and

Relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in an amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill exempting municipal obligations from taxation (House, No. 285), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park. On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Meyer of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 75 yeas to 102 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Austin, J. Lewis
Baker, William G.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bates, Jacob P.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Burbank, Roland E.
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Louis M.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Coburn, Clarence G.

Messrs. Cutler, George P.
Dennis, William D.
Dolan, William J.
Durant, William B.
Dyar, Perlie A.
Fallon, James O.
Ferren, Myron J.
Galloupe, George A.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Giles, Joseph J.
Golding, John
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hoar, John J.
Howard, S. Edward
Hoyt, Warren
Jenkins, Robert B.
Keliher, Thomas J.

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Messrs. Kelly, Charles A.	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Lane, Howard G.	Pratt, Amasa
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Presbo, Edward W.
Lawrence, William B.	Proctor, George O.
Loud, John C.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Rivers, George R. R.
Low, Emery M.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Lyford, Edwin F.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Savage, Patrick J.
McAnally, Frank	Shute, Charles F.
McCall, Samuel W.	Sprague, Charles F.
McCarthy, Daniel	St. John, Thomas E.
McEvoy, John W.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Sundberg, John F.
Meyer, George v. L.	Turner, Edward E.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Warren, Bentley W.
Norton, John H.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Oakes, William H.	Wier, Fred N.
Olmstead, James M.	Winslow, George S.
Perkins, Augustus G.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Clark, Hiram E. W.
Adams, John W.	Clayton, Horace E.
Allen, James E.	Clough, George S.
Andrews, Miles S.	Connolly, Francis
Ashley, Henry W.	Crane, George A.
Atwood, Edward B.	Crosby, James P.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Crosman, Charles
Ball, George S.	Crowell, Elkanah
Bardwell, Henry D.	Cutler, George E.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Dacey, Charles M.
Barstow, Thomas	Delaney, Patrick
Batcheller, Henry C.	Driscoll, John A.
Battles, David W.	Easland, John N.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Fall, George
Bourne, Franklin C.	Fay, James M.
Brigham, William H.	Fiske, Granville C.
Brown, Samuel J.	French, Russell M.
Bryant, Charles H.	Gallup, William W.
Buck, Anson	George, Edwin H.
Buckley, William P.	Gillett, Ransom W.
Burke, James F.	Green, George H. B.
Burnham, Lewis	Hale, Charles H.
Cannon, William	Halley, Dennis E.
Capen, Robert P.	Hart, William H.
Carroll, Michael	Heald, Joseph B.
Carter, James H.	Healy, Lemuel

Messrs. Hemenway, William H.	Messrs. Nye, Charles H.
Hinds, John F.	O'Brien, John J.
Hobson, Charles H.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Howard, George C.	Parker, James O.
Hyde, William S.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jenks, George W.	Read, Franklin F.
Jennings, Henry J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Jennison, Henry J.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richmond, Silas P.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Roe, Alfred S.
Lakin, James A.	Rugg, George H.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Luther, William	Simonds, George R.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Smith, James B.
McLean, Isaac	Soule, George L.
McLoughlin, John T.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Melaven, James F.	Stickney, Clarence
Mellen, James H.	Taft, Henry G.
Miller, Horace E.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Mooney, William L.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Morse, Stillman F.	Wood, Frank C.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Woodward, Amos P.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 75 ; Nays, 102.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Crowley, Jeremiah J.*	Messrs. Blodgett, Albert G.
Potter, Samuel A.*	Harding, N. Frank
Charles, Salem D.	Nutting, Arthur F.*
Lynch, John B.	Wolf, Bernard M.*
Appleton, Francis H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.*
Brewer, Edward S.	Hooker, Charles H.*
Tucker, George F.	Newell, Richard*
Casey, Joseph J.	Blodgett, Percival*
Gardner, Arthur H.*	Larkin, Erastus D.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor (Senate, No. 74) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton moved to amend in section 4, lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters;" also in line 18 of the same section by striking out the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the word "town;" also in section 5, lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the word "town;" also in lines 8 and 9 of the same section by striking out the words "the vote of the water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "said vote."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the amendments were severally adopted by a vote of 87 to 3, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to abolish days of grace (House, No. 350) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting, after the word "Commonwealth," the words "except drafts at sight"

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading by a vote of 35 to 105.

The Bill to incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 122) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston, were severally adopted, to wit: In section 2, line 5, inserting, after the word "otherwise," the words "and over and upon any streets or highways;" also in section 2, line 28, inserting, after the word "land," the words "in said Lowell."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Clark, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Lakin of Westfield was rejected, to wit: adding a new section to be numbered section 8, as follows: "*Sect. 8.* Said corporation shall be subject, in respect to so much of its railway as is located on and along any highway or other way, to all general laws which now or hereafter may be in force, relating to street

railways and street railway companies ; and in respect to so much of its railway as is located on private land, and across any highway or other way, to all general laws which now are or hereafter may be in force, relating to railroads and railroad corporations."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Clark, it was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 76) was further considered, and after debate was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to changing the present system of support of the public schools so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth, also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation for expenditure for the public schools, was further considered.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill providing for the more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools " (House, No. 473).

After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, by a vote of 79 to 57, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 3, on motion of Mr. Howard of Newton.

The motion of Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 19, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to further protect the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay (House, No. 394), was considered, and after debate was lost by a vote of 42 to 91.

The Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. L. M. Clark of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill amending an act relating to the tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 426).

Point of order.

Mr. Rivers of Milton raised the point of order that the bill moved as an amendment was not in order, being in violation of House Rule 89, and not germane to the bill under consideration, inasmuch as the bill provided for the repeal of a law, and the amendment provided for a modification of existing law. The speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

After debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, at thirteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, of R. E. Burbank that the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in the city of Pittsfield may be changed, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Burbank, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Protestant
German
Evangelical
Parish of Pitts-
field.

A petition, presented by Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, of Joseph A. West and 205 others in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the Province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Province lands,
—appropriation.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Bennett of Everett presented petitions of Henry Lee and 2,525 others, citizens of Massachusetts, in favor of such legislation as shall forbid the further transaction of the endowment business by fraternal beneficiary corporations. Read and placed on file.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester : —

Ordered, That on and after Monday, May 2, 1892, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members

Limit of debate
on matters
before the
House.

present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Papers from the Senate.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

A report of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by" and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee," accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Naukeag Water
Company.

A Bill to authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply (Senate, No. 184) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Identification of
criminals.

A Bill relating to the identification of criminals (Senate, No. 176) (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Support of
public schools.

A petition of Allen F. Smith and others for legislation so that the rate of taxation for school purposes and the burden of the support of schools shall be more evenly distributed was placed on file, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park.

Reports of Committees.

Receipt and
delivery of
letters and
packages for
members of the
Legislature.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred an order relative to the receipt and delivery of letters and packages for members of the Legislature, submitted a report, which was read and placed on file. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report was ordered printed as a House document. (House, No. 485.)

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough. (House, No. 482.) Town of Tyngsborough.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 483.) Appropriation bill.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardner, the following order:—

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them (amended in the House by striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 6"), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment. Committee on Water Supply.

On motion of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, the Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 357) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 5, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. East Longmeadow.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city (Senate, No. 143) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. City of Boston,
—public parks.

Mr. Presho moved to amend in section 3, lines 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, by striking out the words "said city may take in fee, by purchase or otherwise, for the use of the city, lands for the purpose aforesaid, in or near the section of said city determined by said city, of an assessed value not exceeding two-thirds of the amount so authorized," and inserting in place thereof the words

“said city, with the approval of the mayor, may take in fee, by purchase or otherwise, such lands of a total assessed value not exceeding two-thirds of the amount so authorized, as shall be determined by said city, and may agree with the persons owning such lands as to the damages to be paid by the city therefor;” also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 5, as follows: “Sect. 5. The damages for the lands so taken shall be paid by the city from the proceeds of the bonds or certificates hereinbefore provided for, and the city or any person whose property is taken, if they cannot agree as hereinbefore provided upon the damages, may have the same determined in the same manner as damages for property taken in laying out highways in said city are determined.”

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. Subsequently, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Town of Nantucket, — sewer commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the Bill to authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners (Senate, No. 182) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, the Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 76) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company ;

To amend an act to supply the town of Orange with water ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police ;

In relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in towns which are summer resorts ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

To incorporate the Millis Water Company ;

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid appointed by the Governor and Council ; and

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in criminal cases ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield ;

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West Street in said city ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 144) ; Orders of the day.

To amend an act to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees (House, No. 471) ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school (Senate, No. 153) ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex (Senate, No. 174) ;

In relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 179) ; and

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker (Senate, No. 183) ; and

Resolves :

Relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars (House, No. 478) ; and

In favor of George O. Bent (Senate, No. 159) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth (House, No. 415) ;

Relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (House, No. 431) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools (House, No. 468) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To increase the number of associate justices of the superior court (Senate, No. 91) ; and

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes (Senate, No. 150) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town (House, No. 354) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 87 yeas to 90 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Andrews, Miles S.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Crane, George A.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Hyde, William S.
 Jackson, Charles T.

Messrs. Jenks, George W.

Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McLean, Isaac
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Proctor, George O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Soule, George L.
 Stickney, Clarence
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Winslow, George S.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Hinds, John F.
Appleton, Francis H.	Jennison, Henry J.
Ashley, Henry W.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Atwood, Edward B.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Kelly, Charles A.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Lawrence, Amos A.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Lawrence, William B.
Bryant, Charles H.	Luby, Patrick B.
Buckley, William P.	Lynch, John B.
Burbank, Roland E.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Burke, James F.	McAnally, Frank
Cannon, William	McEvoy, John W.
Carroll, Michael	McLoughlin, John T.
Casey, Joseph J.	McSolla, Richard F.
Chance, Charles J.	Mellen, James H.
Charles, Salem D.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Clark, Edward P.	Miller, Horace E.
Clough, George S.	Mooney, William L.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Connolly, Francis	Nutting, Arthur F.
Dacey, Charles M.	O'Brien, John J.
Danforth, John M.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Delaney, Patrick	Parker, James O.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Potter, Samuel A.
Dolan, William J.	Presho, Edward W.
Dole, Eben S.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Driscoll, John A.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Durant, William B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Easland, John N.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Fallon, James O.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Francis, Frank W.	Ross, Samuel
French, Russell M.	Savage, Patrick J.
Friend, George H.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Galloupe, George A.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Gallup, William W.	Sprague, Charles F.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Golding, John	Sundberg, John F.
Halley, Dennis E.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Hart, William H.	Turner, Edward E.
Healy, Lemuel	Warren, Bentley W.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Wood, Frank C.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Loud, John C.*
Fiske, Granville C.
Leonard, Mahlon R.*
Ball, George S.*
Crosby, James P.*
Tucker, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Battles, David W.*
Meyer, George v. L.
Clark, Louis M.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Blodgett, Percival*

* Present.

Mr. Gardner of Nantucket moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor for railroad employees (House, No. 450) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows : —

“ *Section 2.* The hours of labor fixed by this act shall not apply to station agents, ticket agents and clerks in the employ of any railroad.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Loud of Chelsea to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 19, refused to concur with the Senate in the amendments to the House Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (House, No. 366), was considered, and, after debate, was adopted. The question recurring on concurring with the Senate in the amendments, the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the procedure in hearings before boards in which testimony is taken affecting private rights or public interests, was further considered.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the procedure before State boards and commissions" (House, No. 313).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the amendment was rejected, and the report of the committee was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, at sixteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Massachusetts Commissioners of the World's Columbian Exposition, in reference to the ceremonies to be held in Chicago on Oct. 12, 13 and 14, 1892, in connection with opening said exposition. The message was read, and, with the accompanying communication, was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, referred to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence.

Message from the Governor,—
World's
Columbian
Exposition.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, a Resolve providing for the construction of fire escapes at the State Primary School at Monson. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

Remonstrance Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Roe of Worcester, of the trustees of Boston University against the taking of land and buildings of the University for a site for a new city hall in Boston, was referred to the committee on Cities, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Taking land for
a city hall.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, laid over from yesterday, was considered:—

Ordered, That on and after Monday, [A] May 2, 1892, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not

Limit of debate
on matters
before the
House.

be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to amend at "A" by striking out the words "May 2," and inserting in place thereof the words "May 9."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the amendment was rejected, and the order was adopted.

Question of Privilege.

Question of
privilege.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park arose to a question of privilege, and stated that yesterday, on the question on ordering to a third reading the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town (House, No. 354), through a misunderstanding he was incorrectly announced as paired in the negative, and that if he had been present he would have voted in the affirmative.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

City of Boston,
— registrar.

Concerning the registrar of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 148) (reported on an order) ; and

Record and
return of
marriages.

Relating to the record and return of marriages (Senate, No. 172) (reported, in part, on an order relative to the better registration of births, baptisms, deaths and marriages) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Andrew J.
Pixley.

A Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley (Senate, No. 186) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Report of a Committee.

Worcester and
Shrewsbury
Railroad Com-
pany.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond. (House, No. 487.) (Messrs. Lakin of Westfield and Parker of Methuen, of the House, dissenting.)

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Delaney of Fall River, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending section 1 of chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to fines for imperfect weaving, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 5, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Fines for
imperfect
weaving.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438). The motion was lost.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 156). After debate the motion was lost.

Quincy and
Boston Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments (Senate, No. 147). After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 61 to 35, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Schooling and
employment of
children.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, the Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (House, No. 242) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 3, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day for that day.

Penalty for
intimidating
laborers.

Essex County
Safe Deposit
and Trust Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 146) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 85 to 21. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of Mr. Bennett, laid on the table, by a vote of 65 to 37.

Spot Pond.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, the Bill to preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond (House, No. 481) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved to amend in section 2, lines 6 and 7, by striking out the words "together with the selectmen of the town of Stoneham." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ferren, it was read a third time, amended, on further motion of the same gentleman, by inserting, in section 2, line 6, after the word "pond," the words, "together with the selectmen of the town of Stoneham." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the town of West Tisbury (which originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company ;

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners ;

To incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ; and

To authorize the widening of Walter street in the city of Boston, and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In aid of and relating to an additional water supply for the Williamstown Water Company (House, No. 475) ; Orders of the day.

To confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 482) ; and

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 483) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school (Senate, No. 153) ; and

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker (Senate, No. 183) ; and the

Resolve in favor of George O. Bent (Senate, No. 159) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city (Senate, No. 143), was withdrawn by Mr. Bennett, there being no objection.

The motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town (House, No. 354), was considered. On the question on reconsideration the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gardner, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 90 yeas to 97 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs.	Howard, George C.
	Adams, John W.		Howard, S. Edward
	Allen, James E.		Hoyt, Warren
	Andrews, Miles S.		Hyde, William S.
	Atwood, E. Elbridge		Jenkins, Robert B.
	Austin, J. Lewis		Jenks, George W.
	Baker, William G.		Jennings, Henry J.
	Ball, George S.		Jordan, Edgar E.
	Barrett, Richard F.		Kilduff, Richard G.
	Barrows, Hiram W.		Lakin, James A.
	Barstow, Thomas		Leonard, Mahlon R.
	Bartlett, Robert G.		Lincoln, Stephen R.
	Bennett, Frank P.		Loud, John C.
	Bessom, Eugene A.		Lougee, Joseph L.
	Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Low, Emery M.
	Blanchard, S. Stillman		Lyford, Edwin F.
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Nichols, DeWitt C.
	Brown, Samuel J.		Nickerson, Osborn
	Buck, Anson		Nourse, Andrew L.
	Capen, Robert P.		Olmstead, James M.
	Carter, James H.		Parker, Bowdoin S.
	Clark, Hiram E. W.		Parkhurst, Wellington E.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		Perkins, Augustus G.
	Crane, George A.		Perkins, George W.
	Crosby, James P.		Powers, Wilbur H.
	Crowell, Elkanah		Proctor, George O.
	Cutler, George E.		Read, Franklin F.
	Cutler, George P.		Richmond, Jeremiah T
	Dennis, William D.		Richmond, Silas P.
	Ferren, Myron J.		Rideout, Malcolm E.
	Fiske, Granville C.		Roe, Alfred S.
	Fletcher, J. Henry		Rugg, George H.
	Gardner, Arthur H.		Sawyer, Samuel L.
	Garfield, George H.		Simonds, George R.
	George, Edwin H.		Smith, James B.
	Giles, Joseph J.		Smith, Sumner
	Gillett, Ransom W.		Soule, George L.
	Gray, Joshua S.		Stickney, Clarence
	Green, George H. B.		St. John, Thomas E.
	Hall, Henry C.		Sweet, Andrew H.
	Harding, N. Frank		Taft, Henry G.
	Hemenway, William H.		Tucker, George F.
	Hobson, Charles H.		Wellman, Arthur H.
	Hooker, Charles H.		Winslow, George S.
	Horton, Everett S.		Woodward, Amos P.

NATS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Battles, David W.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.

PAIRS.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chester, Dwight	Messrs. Lawrence, William B.*
Jackson, Charles T.	Rivers, George R. R.*
Blodgett, Albert G.	Ashley, Henry W.*
Shute, Charles F.*	Friend, George H.
Woodsum, B. Herbert*	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lane, Howard G.*	Gilbride, Michael B.
Richardson, Albert W.*	McCarthy, Daniel

* Present.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relating to liens on buildings and land, so that mechanics, laborers or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor, was further considered.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land" (House, No. 437).

After debate the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater (House, No. 407) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 74 to 90. Mr. Low of Brockton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 116) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "but a city, town, person, or the directors of a railroad corporation aggrieved by such decision may appeal there-

from to the supreme judicial court in the manner provided by chapter one hundred and fifty-six of the Public Statutes, and shall file the reasons of appeal at the return day next after the appeal is taken, and the court may advance such action for speedy trial; and *provided, further*, that the cost of such change of grade of the railroad shall be damages payable primarily by the railroad company and determinable in accordance with section five of said act, and shall be part of the total actual cost of the alteration of a crossing, to be apportioned and paid as provided in section three of said act."

Pending the amendment, Mr. Burke of Quincy moved that the bill and pending amendment be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending which motion, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at thirteen minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Support of
public schools.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ball of Upton, of C. M. Wood and others of Upton for a change in the present system of the support of schools so that the burden shall be more equally distributed, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered. In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

On an order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth ; and

Town elections,
— counting of
ballots.

On an order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts ;

Town of Han-
over, — election
of town officers.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the

use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof; and

Elections.—
announcement
of results of
elections.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty;

City of Boston,
—indemnity
for damage
sustained while
assisting police
officers.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The House Bill for the better protection of seamen (House, No. 260) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: In section 1, line 8, by striking out the words "five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty;" also in section 2, line 8, by striking out the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" also in section 4, line 2, by inserting, after the word "masters," the words "owners and agents;" also in line 4 of the same section by inserting, after the word "masters," the words "owners or agents." Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Protection of
seamen,—ship
agents.

The House bills:

To preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond (House, No. 481);

Spot Pond.

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long (House, No. 231); and

Sale of trout.

To provide for the re-recording of certain records (House, No. 257);

Re-recording of
certain records.

Severally came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and the bills were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club (House, No. 406) came down recommitted

South Berkshire
Mountain Club.

to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Price of gas.

By Mr. Hall of Woburn, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing and regulating the price of gas.

Manufacture and sale of gas.

By Mr. Heffernin of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court (Senate, No. 102).

Revere Copper Company of Canton, — Massapoag Lake.

By Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Fred F. Bryant and others for legislation to restrain the Revere Copper Company of Canton from drawing down the waters of Massapoag Lake to such an extent as to endanger public health. (Mr. Chance of Boston, of the House, dissenting.)

Town of Swampscott, — sewage from Boston.

By Mr. Friend of Gloucester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott, and others similarly situated, from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee, — school superintendent.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools. (House, No. 489.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

National monument at Trenton, N. J.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey (Senate, No. 175), ought to pass.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking (Senate, No. 154) ought to pass.

Commissioners of Savings Banks, — laws relating to banks and banking.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education (Senate, No. 173) ought to pass.

Manual training and industrial education.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 177) ought to pass.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — purchase of books.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide additional cell room at the Massachusetts Reformatory ought to pass. (House, No. 488.)

Massachusetts Reformatory, — additional cell room.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers and holders of stock may be adequately protected, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Returns of gas companies.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill providing for the more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools. (House, No. 473.) The motion was lost by a vote of 29 to 46.

Support of public schools.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 6.

Columbia Trust
Company.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (House, No. 420) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Wood moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 4. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 6. The question being first put on the more remote time, the motion of Mr. Bennett prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 6.

Schooling and
employment of
children.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the Bill relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments (Senate, No. 147) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, re-committed to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 5.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relating to special justices of inferior courts (which originated in the House);

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison; and

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence ; Resolves passed.

and
Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Concerning the registrar of the city of Boston (Senate, Orders of the day. No. 148) ; and

Relating to the record and return of marriages (Senate, No. 172) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon the railroad lines in this Commonwealth (House, No. 379) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough (House, No. 482) ; and

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 483) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription (Senate, No. 129) ; and

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 168) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Low of Brockton, to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a

third reading the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater (House, No. 407) was considered, and on motion of Mr. Low was laid on the table by a vote of 76 to 62.

The Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 116), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, pending the amendments moved by Mr. Powers and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 365) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by striking out the word "thirty-six," and inserting in place thereof the word "forty-two."

After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 419) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Dyar of Boston moved to amend in section 3 by inserting at the end of line 19, after the word "regiment," the words "for every four companies, one unmounted battalion adjutant with the rank of second lieutenant, also a battalion sergeant-major."

Point of order.

Mr. Crosby of Worcester raised the point of order that the amendment was broader than the scope of the orders on which the bill was reported. The Speaker ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 55 to 76, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend by inserting the following new sections:—

“*Sect. 2.* When a loan of less than \$1,000 is secured by a mortgage or pledge of personal property the creditor shall discharge such mortgage and restore such pledge upon payment or tender to him of the amount legally due under this act, and such payment or tender may be made by the debtor, or by any person having an interest in the property mortgaged or pledged.

“*Sect. 3.* No mortgage of household furniture made to secure a loan shall be valid unless it state correctly the amount of the loan, the time for which the loan is made, the rate of interest to be paid, and the actual expense of making and securing the loan, nor unless it contain a provision that the debtor shall be notified of the time and place of any sale to be made in foreclosure proceedings, at least seven days before such sale.

“*Sect. 4.* No notice of intention to foreclose, given under sections 7 and 10 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes, shall be valid unless it expressly state where such notice is to be recorded, and that the right of redemption will be foreclosed sixty days after such recording.

“*Sect. 5.* Whoever neglects or refuses to discharge a mortgage, or to restore the property held as a pledge, as provided in section 2 of this act, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and also be liable in an action of tort to the borrower for all damages resulting to him for any violation of said section 2.

“*Sect. 6.* This act shall not be construed to apply to licensed pawnbrokers, nor to repeal or affect section 34 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, or section 6 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes.

“*Sect. 7.* All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.”

Mr. Charles of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was broader in its scope than the orders upon which the bill was reported. Point of order.

Pending the point of order, the bill was postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill relating to the license fee for dogs (House, No. 387) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Point of order.

Mr. Warren of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the order considered by the committee, which related to special licenses for the keeping of dogs for breeding purposes, while the bill reported by the committee contemplated a change in the general license law for all dogs. The Chair declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was ruled out.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize cities and towns to take land and property for widening or laying out streets or highways (House, No. 402) was further considered. Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at six minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 2, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrances Presented.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, remonstrances of Everett C. Benton and 14,235 members of the following orders, viz.: the Iron Hall, the Order of Ægis, the Order of the World, the United Endowment League, the Non-Secret Endowment, the Order of Franklin, the Order of Equity, the International Fraternal Alliance, the Order of Solid Rock, and the Order of Unity; and of Martha Perry and 809 other members of the sisterhoods of the Order of the Iron Hall, — severally, against any legislation which contemplates the dissolution of this class of associations, and praying that they may be guaranteed their chartered rights, were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
Education.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on
State House.

Bills :

Concerning records of births, deaths and marriages (Senate, No. 187) (reported, in part, on an order relative to the better registration of births, baptisms, deaths and marriages); and

Records of
births, deaths
and marriages.

Relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) (reported on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the reduction of the hours of

Hours of labor
of minors and
women.

labor of women and children, on orders and petitions) (Messrs. Jenks of Shelburne and Green of Belchertown, of the House, dissenting);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Stoughton,—
town meeting.

The House Bill to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton (House, No. 465) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Stillman W.
Edgell.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Towns of
Dennis and
Yarmouth,—
school district.

A petition of W. E. Chaffin that the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth be authorized to form a school district for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in said towns was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Great Barrington
Fire District,—Great
Barrington
Water Com-
pany.

A petition of the water commissioners of the Great Barrington Fire District for authority to extend and improve the works of the Great Barrington Water Company and the Berkshire Heights Water Company, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof; also that the time within which said fire district may vote to take the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Great Barrington Water Company be extended to June 11, 1894, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

The House Resolve (introduced on leave) providing for the construction of fire escapes at the State Primary School at Monson (House, No. 494) came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 9.

Taxation of municipal securities.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :
Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

Manufacture and sale of gas and electricity by cities and towns.

On an order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants ; and

On an order relative to reducing and regulating the price of gas ;

Price of gas.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, in accordance with the instructions of the General Court ;

Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — Boston Gas Company.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was discharged

Railroad fares.

from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 10.

Town of
Swampscott,—
Boston garbage.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, the report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott, and others similarly situated, from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for re-recording certain records ;

Relating to the payment of labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns ;

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth ;

To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock ;

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches in length ; and

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To increase the number of associate justices of the superior court ;

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school ;

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker ; and

To give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of George O. Bent Resolve passed.
(which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers ; and Orders of the day.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 453) ;

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 454) ;

To enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 489) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking (Senate, No. 154) ;

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education (Senate, No. 173) ;

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey (Senate, No. 175) ;

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 177) ; and

To provide additional cell-room at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 488) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees (House, No. 471) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 179) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the Legislature to authorize cities and towns to take land and property for widening or laying out streets or highways (House, No. 402), being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at five minutes past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

After debate, the House refused to order the resolve to a third reading by a vote of 30 to 108.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 429) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Chester of Newton, was adopted, to wit: adding at the end of section 9 the following:—

“Provided, that there may be deducted from this amount any sum paid to such certificate-holder from the funds of the corporation on account of disability.”

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 480), as modified by that gentleman, as follows:—

In section 8, line 4, after the word “branches,” insert the words “nor offer to other than its certificate holders inducements to procure members;” also in line 23, after the word “cent.,” insert the words “and not less than twenty per cent. ;” also in line 35, after the word “fund,”

insert the words "except as provided in section twenty-one;" also in lines 63, 64 and 65, strike out the words, in brackets, "a period of three months preceding the date of maturity of endowment certificates."

In section 12, lines 11 and 12, strike out the words, in brackets, "with other information relating thereto;" also in lines 14, 15, 16 and 17, strike out the words, in brackets, "and the commissioner may at other times require any further sworn statement as he may deem necessary relating to any such corporation."

In section 22 add at the end the following: "*Provided*, that no such penalty shall be enforced until the accused member shall have an opportunity for a trial in accordance with such constitution and laws."

After debate, pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

At twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Expenses of Committees.*Report of the
Sergeant-at-
Arms, —
expenses of
committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending April 30, 1892, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 491). Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Elections, —
specimen bal-
lots.

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections (Senate, No. 189) (reported on an order) ; and

Peddling by
minors.

Relating to peddling by minors (Senate, No. 192) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Volunteer
militia, — naval
brigade.

A Bill to establish a naval brigade to be attached to the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 191) (being a new draft of a bill introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex, —
equity docket
of the superior
court.

The Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106), passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the House insisted on its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the chairman of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation enabling the city to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern. City of Boston, — sidewalks.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that all lands hereafter taken by a city or town shall be taken by the board or officer authorized by law to take land for the laying out of streets, such lands to be taken in fee, and that the purposes for which they are taken be more clearly defined. Eminent domain.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to increase its capital stock. Quincy Water Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water. Id.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order, a Resolve providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston. Harbor and Land Commissioners, — East Boston bridge.
(House, No. 495.)

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the city of Medford. City of Medford.
(House, No. 496.)

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the city of Everett. City of Everett.
(House, No. 498.)

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill. City of Haverhill, — water supply.
(House, No. 497.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish a Board of Metro- Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

politan Park Commissioners and to define its powers and duties (Senate, No. 117) ought to pass.

Identification of criminals.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the identification of criminals (Senate, No. 176) ought to pass.

Torrens system of land transfer.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152) ought to pass.

Andrew J. Pixley.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley (Senate, No. 186) ought to pass.

Salary of the district attorney for the Southern District.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District (Senate, No. 124) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Intoxicating liquors, — innholders and common victuallers.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 11.

Point of order.

Support of schools.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge raised the point of order that the Bill providing for the more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools (House, No. 473) was improperly in the orders of the day, inasmuch as it involved the expenditure of public money and should have been referred to the committee on Finance. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was accordingly referred to the committee on Finance.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at nineteen minutes before one o'clock, the House took a recess until two o'clock.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

- To preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond ; Bills enacted.
 - To confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton ;
 - Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires ; and
 - To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston :
 - (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 - To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription ; and
 - To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;
 - (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

- To provide for repairs at the State Prison ; and Resolves passed.
 - Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General ;
 - (Which severally originated in the House) ;
- Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

- To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association Orders of the day.
 - (Senate, No. 118) ; and
 - Concerning records of births, deaths and marriages
 - (Senate, No. 187) ;
- Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars (House, No. 478) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

- In relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate (Senate, No. 131) ;
- To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company
- (Senate, No. 136) ; and

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers (Senate, No. 166);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the record and return of marriages (Senate, No. 172) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 2, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 429), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On the question on the pending amendment moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, to substitute a bill with the same title (House, No. 480), it was voted, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, that debate be closed at three o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to wind up the endowment business to fraternal beneficiary corporations" (House, No. 484) and.

After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, on the question on the amendment moved by Mr. Powers, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 128 yeas to 77 nays, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Batcheller, Henry C.
Allen, James E.	Bates, Jacob P.
Anderson, Stephen	Battles, David W.
Atwood, Edward B.	Bessom, Eugene A.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Austin, J. Lewis	Blanchard, S. Stillman
Baker, William G.	Bliss, Frederic W.
Ball, George S.	Blodgett, Albert G.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Brewer, Edward S.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Brigham, William H.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Brock, Lemuel M.
Barstow, Thomas	Bryant, Charles H.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Buckley, William P.

Messrs. Burbank, Roland E.

Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Gallup, William W.
 Garfield, George H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hoyt, Warren
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.

Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.

Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McLean, Isaac
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Norton, John H.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buck, Anson
 Burnham, Lewis
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Delaney, Patrick
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.

Messrs. Lakin, James A.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Rugg, George H.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tucker, George F.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Wier, Fred N.
 Winslow, George S.
 Woodward, Amos P.

Yeas, 128 ; Nays, 77.

PAIR.

On this question the following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Hemenway, William H.

Mr. Roe, Alfred S.*

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The Bill to authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds (House, No. 435) was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of William H. Robison (House, No. 290) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, was further considered.

Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend chapter 116 of the Public Statutes in reference to interest on deposits in savings banks" (House, No. 427).

After debate, pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Ball of Upton, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, remonstrance of Irving D. Prentiss and 1,039 others; by Mr. Baker of Boston, remonstrance of J. A. Macomber of Brockton and 229 others, — severally, against any legislation which contemplates the dissolution of fraternal beneficiary organizations, and praying that they may be granted their chartered rights.

Resolution Presented.

Anthracite coal.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Mellen of Worcester presented a Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal (House, No. 503). The resolution was read, and pending the question on its adoption, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary :

Topographical
Survey Com-
mission.
Id.

On the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ;
On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission ; and

On the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; and

Report of the
Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes, Towns
and Counties.
Clerical
assistance and
deficiencies in
appropriations.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to clerical assistance, and to deficiencies in appropriations ; and

New York and
New England
Railroad Com-
pany.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings (Senate, No. 157) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Woburn,
—superintend-
ent of public
buildings.

A Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (Senate, No. 193) (being a new draft of a bill introduced on leave in the Senate) ; and a

Duties of
judges of pro-
bate and insol-
vency.

Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (Senate, No. 181) (reported on a petition) ;

Pharmacy.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (House, No. 436) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit : striking out at the end of the bill the words " authorities of said Vine Hills Cemetery," and inserting in place thereof the words " said inhabitants." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Oak Grove
Cemetery in
Plymouth.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in Pittsfield. (House, No. 502.) Read, and on

Protestant
German
Evangelical
Parish in Pitts-
field.

motion of Mr. Bicknell, the rules were suspended, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Regulation of
poles and wires
by municipal
authorities.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize municipal authorities to regulate the maintenance and use of poles and wires within the limits of highways. (House, No. 499.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Vaccination.

On motions of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

State printing.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Resolve in relation to the State printing (House, No. 479). The motion was lost by a vote of 49 to 36, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Discharged from the Orders.

Volunteer
militia.

On motion of Mr. Dyar of Boston, the Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 419) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill relative to the volunteer militia" (House, No. 493), pending which, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 10.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 10.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

On motions of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Fred F. Bryant and others for legislation to restrain the Revere Copper Company of Canton from drawing down the waters of Massapoag Lake to such an extent as to endanger public health, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 12.

Revere Copper Company of Canton.

On motions of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 480) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 9, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To establish the salary of the assistant State librarian and clerk of the Board of Education ;

Bills enacted.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen ;

Relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth ;

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner for the county of Suffolk ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :
 In favor of John A. Floyd ;
 Providing for the construction of fire-escapes at the
 State Primary School at Monson ; and
 In favor of Christie A. Fisk ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the
 petition of the chairman of the board of aldermen of
 the city of Boston for legislation enabling said city to
 construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General
 Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that
 all lands hereafter taken by a city or town by right of
 eminent domain shall be taken by the board or officers
 authorized to take lands for laying out streets, such lands
 to be taken in fee, and that the purposes for which they
 are taken be more clearly defined ;

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to with-
 draw :

On the petition of the Quincy Water Company for
 authority to increase its capital stock ; and

On the petition of the Quincy Water Company for
 authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water ;
 Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill for the protection of the water supply of the
 city of Haverhill (House, No. 497) ; and the

Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley (Senate, No.
 186) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
 third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massa-
 chusetts Reformatory (House, No. 453) ; and

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory
 (House, No. 454) ; and the

Resolve to provide additional cell-room at the Massa-
 chusetts Reformatory (House, No. 488) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be en-
 grossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages (Senate, No. 187); and

Resolves:

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking (Senate, No. 154);

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education (Senate, No. 173);

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey (Senate, No. 175); and

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 177);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly, and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Nourse of Bolton.

On the question on the amendment moved by Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, to substitute a "Bill to amend chapter 116 of the Public Statutes in reference to interest on deposits in savings banks" (House, No. 427), the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Bennett of Everett, and the roll being called, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 92 yeas to 97 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.

Anderson, Stephen

Ashley, Henry W.

Atwood, Edward B.

Bacheller, Charles M.

Baker, William G.

Bardwell, Henry D.

Bartlett, Lewis H.

Battles, David W.

Messrs. Bessom, Eugene A.

Bliss, Frederic W.

Breen, Daniel F.

Brock, Lemuel M.

Brogan, Patrick F.

Bryant, Charles H.

Buckley, William P.

Burke, James F.

Cannon, William

Messrs. Carroll, Michael
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 French, Russell M.
 Garfield, George H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.

Messrs. Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Low, Emery M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Simonds, George R.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Ball, George S.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.

Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clayton, Horace E.

Messrs. Clough, George S.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Easland, John N.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Francis, Frank W.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Luther, William

Messrs. Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Newell, Richard
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Stickney, Clarence
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 92 ; Nays, 97.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Durant, William B.*
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 McCarthy, Daniel

NAYS.

Messrs. Sprague, Charles F.
 Crosby, James P.*
 Meyer, George v. L.*
 Fletcher, J. Henry*
 Dyar, Perlie A.*

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows:—

“*Sect. 8.* The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in. The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in.”

The same gentleman also moved to amend by inserting, in line 38 of the new section 9, recommended by the committee on Water Supply, after the word “trust,” the following: “The compensation to be determined by said commissioners under this act shall not include any value for the franchise granted by this act, or any privileges given without compensation to said corporation by the town of Methuen.”

Pending the several amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Parker of Methuen, laid on the table.

Bills:

To incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340);

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341);

(Pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading);

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131); and

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132);

(Pending the question, in each case, on passing the bill to be engrossed);

Were severally laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Parker of Methuen.

The Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (House, No. 242) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford moved to amend in section 1 by striking out all after the word "punished," in line 9, and inserting in place thereof the words "by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars."

The same gentleman also moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "But no organization shall be considered to be a labor organization within the meaning of this act whose officers, agents or members seek, directly or indirectly, to accomplish its objects and purposes by intimidation or force, or other unlawful means."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the first amendment moved by Mr. Lawrence was adopted. The second amendment was rejected by a vote of 20 to 98, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 198) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, was modified by that gentleman as follows: In section 1, line 18, after the word "obtained," insert the following: "But a city, town, person, or the directors of a railroad corporation aggrieved by such consent of the railroad commissioners may appeal therefrom to the supreme judicial court in the manner provided by chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, and shall file the reasons of appeal at the return day next after the appeal is taken, and the court may advance such action for speedy trial;" also by adding at the end of the first amendment the following: "*and provided, further,* that the cost of such change of grade of the railroad shall be damages payable primarily by the railroad company and determinable in accordance with section 5 of said act, and shall be part of the total actual cost of the alteration of a crossing, to be apportioned and paid as provided in section 3 of said act."

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester raised the point of order that the amendments moved by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park were beyond the scope of the order considered by the committee and upon which the bill was based. Point of order.

The Speaker ruled as follows: The Chair is of the opinion that the second amendment is beyond the scope of the order, and therefore is not in order.

In regard to the first amendment, the order seeks to provide that the words "railroad commissioners" shall be inserted in the law in place of the words "directors of the railroad;" and the amendment offered by the gentleman from Hyde Park practically annexes a condition; that is to say, that the consent of the railroad commissioners shall be final unless overruled by the supreme court.

It seems to the Chair that the amendment is in accordance with previous decisions of the Chair often made in similar cases, in the line that the House has the right to annex a proviso or condition when granting legislation; therefore the Chair will rule that the second amendment is not in order, and that the first amendment, being a proviso, a limitation upon the effect of the legislation contemplated in the order, is within the scope of the order, and is in order.

Mr. Howard of Newton moved to amend in section 1, line 18, by inserting, after the word "obtained," the following: "*and provided, further, that whenever in any case the directors of the railroad company or companies consent to the change in the grade of the railroad, the consent of the railroad commissioners need not be obtained.*"

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock (House, No. 345) was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At thirteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 5, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. St. John of Haverhill, a Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. St. John, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

State Normal
School in
Westfield.

Remonstrances Presented.

The following remonstrances were referred as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

By Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, remonstrance of John W. Rogers and others of Mansfield; and by Mr. Winslow of Norwood, remonstrance of Stephen M. Weld and others of Dedham, — severally, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad Com-
pany, — termi-
nal station.

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Daley of Lynn, of a committee appointed at a public meeting in Boston against the passage of the resolves providing for an amendment to the Constitution establishing biennial elections, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Constitutional
amendment, —
biennial
elections.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Monday next, it be to meet on the following Tuesday at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Adjournment
and hour of
meeting.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports :****State Board of
Agriculture.**

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the Board of Agriculture ; and

**Commissioner
of Foreign
Mortgage
Corporations.**

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and changing the name of said officer ;

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary :

**Board of
Supervisors of
Statistics.**

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics ; and

**Administrative
boards and
commissions.**

On various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

**City of Lynn, —
water supply.**

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize said city to borrow \$150,000, the proceeds of the same to be used to increase its water supply, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

**Extermination
of caterpillars.**

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways (House, No. 386).

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by a general vote. City of Boston, — board of aldermen

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, id. reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing for an increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members, and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large, and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River, under the provisions of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply." (House, No. 504.) Read and ordered to a second reading. Fall River, — water supply.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 393) ought to pass. (Messrs. Loud of Chelsea, Hoyt of Haverhill and Shute of Malden dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Carney Hospital.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Sawyer of Haverhill, the Bill to incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 146) was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed. Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Methuen, the following bills were taken from the table : —

Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) ; Methuen Water Company.

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.
Medway Water
Company.

Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131);

Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340);

Medfield Water
Company.

Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341); and

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132).

Methuen Water
Company.

The Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (House, No. 97) was first considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to amend the amendment recommended by the committee on Water Supply by the substitution of the following: Striking out sections 9 and 10 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

“*Sect. 9.* The town of Methuen shall have the right at any time to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of its franchise, works and property of all kinds held under the provisions of this act, including in such cost interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of said purchase or taking, as herein provided, at the rate of five per cent. per annum. If the cost of maintaining and operating the works of said corporation shall exceed in any year the income derived from said works by said corporation or company for that year, then such excess shall be added to the total cost; and if the income derived from said works by said corporation exceeds in any year the cost of maintaining and operating said works for that year, then such excess shall be deducted from the total cost. An itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said corporation shall be annually submitted to the selectmen of the town of Methuen, and by said selectmen to the citizens of said town. If said corporation has incurred indebtedness, the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of such taking shall be assumed by said town, and shall be deducted from the amount required to be paid by said town to said corporation under the foregoing provisions of this section. This authority to purchase such franchise and property is granted on condition that the purchase is

assented to by said town by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town, present and voting thereon at a meeting legally called for that purpose."

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend the amendment moved by Mr. Parker by adding at the end thereof the following: "The compensation to be determined under this act shall not include any value for the franchise granted by this act, or any privileges given without compensation to said corporation by the town of Methuen other than its actual cost as herein provided." The amendment was rejected.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Burke of Quincy was rejected, to wit: inserting in line 38 of section 9, as recommended by the committee on Water Supply, after the word "trust," the following: "The compensation to be determined by said commissioners under this act shall not include any value for the franchise granted by this act, or any privileges given without compensation to said corporation by the town of Methuen."

The following pending amendment, moved by the same gentleman, was adopted: striking out section 8 and inserting the following new section in place thereof:—

"Sect. 8. The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in. The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works, over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the amendment moved by Mr. Parker of Methuen was substituted for the amendment recommended by the committee on Water Supply, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham (House, No. 131) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

Onset Water
Company of
Wareham.

"Sect. 8. The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in. The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works, over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in."

The same gentleman moved to amend by striking out section 10 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: *"Sect. 10.* The town of Wareham, and any fire district that is or may hereafter be established therein, shall have the right at any time to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of its franchise, works and property of all kinds held under the provisions of this act, including in such cost interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of said purchase or taking as herein provided, at the rate of five per cent. per annum. If the cost of maintaining and operating the works of said corporation shall exceed in any year the income derived from said works by said corporation or company for that year, then such excess shall be added to the total cost; and if the income derived from said works by said corporation exceeds in any year the cost of maintaining and operating said works for that year, then such excess shall be deducted from the total cost. An itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said corporation shall be annually submitted to the selectmen of the town of Wareham, and by said selectmen to the citizens of said town. If said corporation has incurred indebtedness, the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of such taking shall be assumed by said town or such fire district, and shall be deducted from the amount required to be paid by said town or such fire district to said corporation under the foregoing provisions of this section. This authority to purchase such franchise and property is granted on condition that the purchase is assented to by said town or such fire district by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town or such fire district, present and voting thereon at a meeting legally called for that purpose."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the amendments

were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Medway Water Company.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

“ *Sect. 8.* The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in. The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works, over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in.”

The same gentleman moved to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

“ *Sect. 9.* The town of Medway shall have the right at any time to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of its franchise, works and property of all kinds held under the provisions of this act, including in such cost interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of said purchase or taking, as herein provided, at the rate of five per cent. per annum. If the cost of maintaining and operating the works of said corporation shall exceed in any year the income derived from said works by said corporation or company for that year, then such excess shall be added to the total cost; and if the income derived from said works by said corporation exceeds in any year the cost of maintaining and operating said works for that year, then such excess shall be deducted from the total cost. An itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said corporation shall be annually submitted to the selectmen of the town of Medway, and by said selectmen to the citizens of said town. If said corporation has incurred indebtedness, the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of such taking shall be assumed by said town, and shall be deducted from the amount required

to be paid by said town to said corporation under the foregoing provisions of this section. This authority to purchase such franchise and property is granted on condition that the purchase is assented to by said town by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town, present and voting thereon at a meeting legally called for that purpose."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Medfield Water
Company.

The Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

"*Sect. 8.* The said corporation may issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property to an amount not exceeding its capital stock actually paid in. The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works, over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in."

The same gentleman moved to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

"*Sect. 9.* The town of Medfield shall have the right at any time to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of its franchise, works and property of all kinds held under the provisions of this act, including in such cost interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of said purchase or taking, as herein provided, at the rate of five per cent. per annum. If the cost of maintaining and operating the works of said corporation shall exceed in any year the income derived from said works by said corporation or company for that year, then such excess shall be added to the total cost; and if the income derived from said works by said corporation exceeds in any year the cost of maintaining and operating said works for that year, then such excess shall be deducted from the total cost. An itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said corporation shall be annually submitted to the selectmen of the town of Medfield, and by said

selectmen to the citizens of said town. If said corporation has incurred indebtedness, the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of such taking shall be assumed by said town, and shall be deducted from the amount required to be paid by said town to said corporation under the foregoing provisions of this section. This authority to purchase such franchise and property is granted on condition that the purchase is assented to by said town by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said town, present and voting thereon at a meeting legally called for that purpose."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (House, No. 132) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Willimansett
Water Com-
pany.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by adding at the end of section 6 the following: "The proceeds of all bonds so issued shall only be expended in the extension of the works of the company, and for the payment of expenditures actually made in the construction of the works, over and above the amount of the capital stock actually paid in."

The same gentleman further moved to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:—

"*Sect. 9.* The city of Chicopee shall have the right at any time to take, by purchase or otherwise, the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of said corporation, on payment to said corporation of the actual cost of its franchise, works and property of all kinds held under the provisions of this act, including in such cost interest on each expenditure from its date to the date of said purchase or taking, as herein provided, at the rate of five per cent. per annum. If the cost of maintaining and operating the works of said corporation shall exceed in any year the income derived from said works by said corporation or company for that year, then such excess shall be added to the total cost; and if the income derived from said works by said corporation exceeds in any year the cost of maintaining and operating said works for that year, then such excess shall be deducted from the total cost. An itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said corporation shall be annually

submitted to the city council of the city of Chicopee. If said corporation has incurred indebtedness, the amount of such indebtedness outstanding at the time of such taking shall be assumed by said city, and shall be deducted from the amount required to be paid by said city to said corporation under the foregoing provisions of this section. This authority to purchase such franchise and property is granted on condition that the purchase is assented to by said city by a two-thirds vote of the voters of said city present and voting thereon, and the time and manner of taking such vote shall be determined by the city council."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Grade cross-
ings.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 198) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 11.

City of North-
ampton,—
grade crossings.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton (Senate, No. 100) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 11.

Quincy and
Boston Street
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 156), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Woodsum moved to amend by striking out section 2; also in section 5, line 3, by striking out the word

“Braintree;” also in section 7, line 1, by striking out the word “two.”

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, its title also having been amended, on further motion of the same gentleman, by striking out the word “Braintree.” Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, the Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 12.

Hours of labor
of minors and
women.

On motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, the Bill to enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 489) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Finance.

Towns of Sand-
wich, Bourne
and Mashpee,—
school superin-
tendent.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk (which originated in the House); Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor;

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company;

In relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk;

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city;

In relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate; and

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Lawrence of Cohasset, at twenty minutes before one o'clock the House took a recess until two o'clock.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to clerical assistance, and to deficiencies in appropriations ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the city of Medford (House, No. 496) ;

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections (Senate, No. 189) ;

To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings (Senate, No. 157) ; and

Relating to the identification of criminals (Senate, No. 176) ; and the

Resolve providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston (House, No. 495) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley (Senate, No. 186) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (House, No. 436), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 357) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend the motion by inserting, in place of the words "half-past three," the word "four." The question was first put upon the most remote time, and the amendment was rejected. The motion of Mr. Rosnosky was then adopted.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to amend by striking out section 9 and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 9, as follows:—

"Sect. 9. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the voters of said town of Longmeadow, present and voting thereon at any legal town meeting called for the purpose before the first day of April, 1893, but the number of such meetings shall not exceed two."

After debate the amendment was rejected. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 95 yeas to 84 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, E. Elbridge

Ball, George S.

Barrows, Hiram W.

Barstow, Thomas

Bates, Jacob P.

Battles, David W.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bicknell, Zechariah L.

✓Blanchard, S. Stillman

✓Bliss, Frederic W.

Blodgett, Albert G.

Blodgett, Percival

Bourne, Franklin C.

Brewer, Edward S.

✓Brigham, William H.

✓Brown, Benjamin F.

Buck, Anson

Burke, James F.

Cannon, William

Messrs. Carter, James H.

✓Casey, Joseph J.

✓Chance, Charles J.

✓Clark, Louis M.

Clayton, Horace E.

Clough, George S.

Crane, George A.

Crosby, James P.

Crowell, Elkanah

Cutler, George P.

Delaney, Patrick

Dennis, William D.

Driscoll, John A.

✓Dyar, Perlle A.

Easland, John N.

Fairbanks, Edward

Fay, James M.

Fiske, Granville C.

Francis, Frank W.

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Messrs. Gallup, William W.	Messrs. Meyer, George v. L.
Garfield, George H.	Miller, Horace E.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Morse, Stillman F.
~Golding, John	Nickerson, Osborn
Hall, Henry C.	Nye, Charles H.
~Harris, Charles E.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
~Hoar, John J.	~Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hobson, Charles H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Horton, Everett S.	~Perkins, Augustus G.
Howard, S. Edward	Potter, Samuel A.
Hyde, William S.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jenks, George W.	~Presho, Edward W.
Jennings, Henry J.	~Richardson, Albert W.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Richmond, Silas P.
~Keliher, Thomas J.	Savage, Patrick J.
~Kelly, Charles A.	Soule, George L.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	~Sprague, Charles F.
~Lanigan, Andrew M.	Stickney, Clarence
Leonard, Mahlon R.	~Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Low, Emery M.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Lyford, Edwin F.	~Toomey, Daniel P.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	~Warren, Bentley W.
McEvoy, John W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
McLean, Isaac	Winslow, George S.
Melaven, James F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Mellen, James H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Chester, Dwight
Anderson, Stephen	~Clark, Edward P.
Andrews, Miles S.	Connolly, Francis
Appleton, Francis H.	~Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Ashley, Henry W.	Cutler, George E.
Austin, J. Lewis	~Dacey, Charles M.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Daley, Edward L.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Durant, William B.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Fall, George
Bartlett, Robert G.	~Fallon, James O.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Fletcher, J. Henry
~Brogan, Patrick F.	French, Russell M.
~Burnham, Lewis	Friend, George H.
Capen, Robert P.	Galloupe, George A.
Carroll, Michael	Gardner, Arthur H.
~Charles, Salem D.	George, Edwin H.

Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.	Messrs. Nourse, Andrew L.
Green, George H. B.	O'Brien, John J.
Halley, Dennis E.	Parker, James O.
Harding, N. Frank	Perkins, George W.
Hart, William H.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Heald, Joseph B.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Healy, Lemuel	Richardson, Arthur C.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hemenway, William H.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Hinds, John F.	Roe, Alfred S.
Howe, S. Augustus	Ruggles, Henry E.
Lane, Howard G.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lawrence, William B.	Shute, Charles F.
Loud, John C.	Smith, Sylvanus
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Luther, William	St. John, Thomas E.
Lynch, John B.	Sundberg, John F.
McAnally, Frank	Taft, Henry G.
McCall, Samuel W.	Turner, Edward E.
McSolla, Richard F.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Mooney, William L.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Newell, Richard	Wolf, Bernard M.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Woodward, Amos P.

Yeas, 95 ; Nays, 84.

The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRS.

YEAS.

Messrs. Gray, Joshua S.*
Oakes, William H.
Rugg, George H.
Pratt, Amasa
Hooker, Charles H.*
Larkin, Erastus D.*
Jenkins, Robert B.
Kilduff, Richard G.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hevey, Thomas D.
Jackson, Charles T.*
Brown, Samuel J.*
Clark, Hiram E. W.*
Crosman, Charles
McLoughlin, John T.
Buckley, William P.*
Tucker, George F.*

• Present.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending section 1 of chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to fines for imperfect weaving, was further considered.

Mr. Delaney of Fall River moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving" (House, No. 510). After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions" (House, No. 330), was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. After debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, at twenty minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Sweet of Norton, of Austin Messenger and 156 others of Norton against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square, was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardner, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on Water Supply.

Sent up for concurrence.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted by a vote of 67 to 18 : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Monday next, it be to meet on the following Tuesday at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Adjournment and hour of meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on Cities.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Committee on Election Laws.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing for a uniform system of accounts of cities other than Boston, and for their supervision and examination by the Con-

Uniform system of accounts of cities.

troller of County Accounts or by some other system of State supervision of said accounts, and for the expense of the same, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

Town of
Wenham.

A Bill to authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor (Senate, No. 200) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal
School in
Westfield.

The House Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. Referred to the committee on Finance.

Suffolk and
Middlesex
counties, —
equity docket
of the superior
court.

The Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, in which the Senate non-concurred, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence, and asked for a committee of conference. The House concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference.

City of Boston,
— water supply.

A petition of John H. Lee, acting mayor of the city of Boston, that said city may be authorized to protect and preserve the purity of the waters of Sudbury River by widening, deepening and straightening the channel of said river and its tributaries in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton, by making new channels for said river and its tributaries, and by constructing ditches in said towns, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills: —

Hours of labor
of railroad
employees.

To regulate the hours of labor of railroad employees (House, No. 297); and

State Prison, —
pensioning of
certain officers.

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty (House, No. 422).

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
— term of office
of common
councilmen.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation to increase the terms of office of members of the common council of the city of Boston

by providing that at the next municipal election one member from each ward shall be elected for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and every year thereafter one member for three years.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the city of Boston by a general vote.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph J. Casey for legislation granting to permanent members of the fire department in the city of Boston the right to three days' leave of absence without loss of pay in the case of death in their families.

City of Boston,
— leave of
absence of mem-
bers of the fire
department.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Clough.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing for the substitution of a single legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston, as now established by law.

City of Boston,
— single legis-
lative body.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

By Mr. Meyer of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the commissioners on the State House to lay out a street at easy grade from the corner of Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge street. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Meyer.

City of Boston,
— street from
Park and Tremont
streets to
Cambridge
street.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more. (Messrs. Moriarty of Worcester and Coakley of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Telegraph
companies, —
delivery of
messages.

City of Boston,
— pensioning
of disabled
firemen.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston. (House, No. 512.)

City of Lowell,
— revision of
charter.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to revise the charter of the city of Lowell. (House, No. 511.)

Credit com-
panies and
collection
bureaus.

By Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order, a Bill to regulate, and establish supervision of, the business done by credit companies and collection bureaus. (House, No. 513.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Towns of
Dennis and
Yarmouth, —
superintendent
of schools.

By Mr. Ball of Upton, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Bill to enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Civil Service
Commissioners,
— Attorney-
General.

On an order relative to providing that when requested by the Civil Service Commissioners the Attorney-General shall consult and advise with them on questions of law relating to their official business ; and

Id.

On so much of the Civil Service Commissioners' report as relates to requesting advice from the Attorney-General in certain cases ;

Were severally taken from the table and accepted.

On further motions of Mr. Gillett, the reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary :

Report of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral.

On the annual report of the Attorney-General ; and

Employers'
liability, —
general laws, —
free passes, —
land transfer.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of the Employers' Liability Act ; to the passage of a general instead of special laws ; to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature ; and to a change in the system of land transfer ;

Were severally taken from the table and were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Veto message, —
salary of the
justice of the
fourth district
court of Eastern
Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 185), with the

veto message of His Excellency the Governor (House, No. 464), was taken from the table. Pending the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 11.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (House, No. 187), with the veto message of His Excellency the Governor (House, No. 461), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 11.

Veto message,—
salary of the
justice of the
police court of
Williamstown.

On motion of Mr. McLean of Cambridge, the report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the joint special committee on Public Reservations, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence.

Public reserva-
tions,—prov-
ince lands on
Cape Cod.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 12.

Taxation of
personal prop-
erty.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer, the Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 13.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
school-houses.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor on premises within a certain distance of a school-house, so that the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 16.

Anthracite coal.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal (House, No. 503) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows: —

Resolved, That whereas a combination has been formed which has secured a substantial monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal, so that our people for this necessity, essential to their life and prosperity, are placed at the mercy of a few individuals who have already indicated their purpose by a large and unusual increase in the price of fuel, we therefore request our Representatives in Congress and instruct our Senators to make all reasonable efforts to secure the passage of laws effectual to prevent such combinations, destroy such monopolies and put the supply of fuel, as nearly as may be, beyond the reach of private speculation.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth is requested to transmit forthwith a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary:

Orders of the
day.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the

General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics; and

On various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and changing the name of said officer; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to peddling by minors (Senate, No. 192) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill (House, No. 497) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Wood of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 1, by striking out the word "hereafter."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the amendment was adopted, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 62 to 74. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (House, No. 420) was taken up, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Pending this question the Speaker ordered the doors to be closed. Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved that the roll be called, to ascertain if a quorum was present,

which motion prevailed. The roll was called and it appeared that 161 members were present. The following-named gentlemen answered to their names : —

ROLL CALL.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Andrews, Miles S.		Dacey, Charles M.	
Atwood, Edward B.		Daley, Edward L.	
Atwood, E. Elbridge		Danforth, John M.	
Austin, J. Lewis		Delaney, Patrick	
Bachelor, Charles M.		Dennis, William D.	
Baker, William G.		Dodge, Edgar S.	
Ball, George S.		Dole, Eben S.	
Bardwell, Henry D.		Driscoll, John A.	
Barrett, Richard F.		Durant, William B.	
Barstow, Thomas		Dyar, Perlie A.	
Bartlett, Lewis H.		Fairbanks, Edward	
Bartlett, Robert G.		Fall, George	
Bates, Jacob P.		Ferren, Myron J.	
Battles, David W.		Fiske, Granville C.	
Bennett, Frank P.		Fletcher, J. Henry	
Besson, Eugene A.		Francis, Frank W.	
Bicknell, Zechariah L.		French, Russell M.	
Blanchard, S. Stillman		Friend, George H.	
Bliss, Frederic W.		Galloupe, George A.	
Blodgett, Albert G.		Gallup, William W.	
Bourne, Franklin C.		Gardner, Arthur H.	
Breen, Daniel F.		George, Edwin H.	
Brigham, William H.		Giles, Joseph J.	
Brogan, Patrick F.		Gillett, Frederick H.	
Brown, Benjamin F.		Golding, John	
Brown, Samuel J.		Gray, Joshua S.	
Buckley, William P.		Green, George H. B.	
Burke, James F.		Hall, Henry C.	
Burnham, Lewis		Harding, N. Frank	
Cannon, William		Harris, Charles E.	
Capen, Robert P.		Hart, William H.	
Carroll, Michael		Heald, Joseph B.	
Carter, James H.		Healy, Lemuel	
Chance, Charles J.		Heffernan, Edward J.	
Charles, Salem D.		Hemenway, William H.	
Clark, Hiram E. W.		Hinds, John F.	
Clayton, Horace E.		Hoar, John J.	
Clough, George S.		Holmes, Charles H.	
Connolly, Francis		Hooker, Charles H.	
Crosby, James P.		Horton, Everett S.	
Crowley, Jeremiah J.		Howard, S. Edward	
Cutler, George E.		Howe, S. Augustus	
Cutler, George P.		Hyde, William S.	

Messrs. Jenkins, Robert B.	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Jenks, George W.	Potter, Samuel A.
Jennings, Henry J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jennison, Henry J.	Presho, Edward W.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richardson, Albert W.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Kelly, Charles A.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Lane, Howard G.	Roe, Alfred S.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Larkin, Erastus D.	Ross, Samuel
Lawrence, Amos A.	Rugg, George H.
Lawrence, William B.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Savage, Patrick J.
Loud, John C.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Low, Emery M.	Shute, Charles F.
Luther, William	Smith, James B.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Smith, Sumner
McCall, Samuel W.	Smith, Sylvanus
McLoughlin, John T.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McSolla, Richard F.	Stickney, Clarence
Melaven, James F.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Mellen, James H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Sundberg, John F.
Miller, Horace E.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Mooney, William L.	Taft, Henry G.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Tucker, George F.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Turner, Edward E.
Nickerson, Osborn	Warren, Bentley W.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Wellman, Arthur H.
O'Brien, John J.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Olmstead, James M.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Parker, James O.	Wood, Frank C.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Perkins, Augustus G.	

161 present.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved that the doors be opened. After debate, pending this motion, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, at thirteen minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Veto message,
— Connecticut
River R.R. Co.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, returning with his objections the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 424). The message was read, and pending the question "Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" it was, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, postponed for further consideration until Friday next. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the message was ordered to be printed. (See House, No. 521.) The message was as follows:—

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 9, 1892.

To the Honorable House of Representatives.

I herewith return with my objections a bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock," which originated in your body.

The bill authorizes an increase of \$2,420,000 of said stock, making the total authorized capital \$5,000,000, or about double its present amount. In the absence of any restriction in the bill, this additional stock may and no doubt will be divided at its par value of \$100 among the stockholders of said company in proportion to their holdings. The present market value of the stock of this company, as fixed by recent sales, is about \$235 a share. So that in effect this bill authorizes the distribution to its stockholders of new stock, nearly equal in amount to the present stock, at less than one-half its present market value. The difference between its par and market value will be clear profit to each stockholder, and represents the proportion of new stock not necessary for the purposes of

the company, and for which the company itself gets no benefit or return. Less than one-half of this proposed increase of stock, if sold at this market value, would yield to the company as much money as the whole increase so distributed to the stockholders. The bill, while in form an authorized increase of capital for the purposes of the company, practically gives the authority and sanction of the Commonwealth to the creation of more than double the amount of new capital, estimated at its market value, required for such purposes, and indirectly to the division of the balance among the stockholders as an enormous dividend.

Speaking in round numbers, the two and one-half millions of dollars of proposed new stock at present market value is worth over five and one-half millions of dollars. (Of this last amount two and one-half millions of dollars will go into the treasury of the company, and more than three millions of dollars into the pockets of the stockholders. To enable them to obtain this bonus, nearly one and one half millions of dollars of unnecessary stock is added to the capital, the dividend upon which at ten per cent. places an unnecessary burden of \$150,000 each year upon the business of the railroad, that is, upon the public. Every pound of freight and every passenger carried by this company will contribute to meet this burden. Meanwhile this unnecessary increase of capital adds nothing to the resources of the railroad, to the facilities for its use, or to the compensation of those who make such use practicable.

So far as this bill provides for any necessary increase of the capital stock of this company, I see no objection to it. But if in the mode of the increase and its distribution it creates an unnecessary amount of stock for the sole benefit of its stockholders, but which is to be a perpetual and needless burden upon the public, then I believe it to be my duty, before giving my approval to such a measure, carefully to consider whether the public cannot properly and justly interfere to prevent such burden. In the trust relation in which this company, under the uniform decisions of all our courts and legislatures, stands to the public, I believe such interference is proper, and that a sound public policy requires its exercise. At least it requires that the Commonwealth shall not actively co-operate in placing the burden upon the public, by grant of the necessary authority.

I recognize and appreciate all the rights of capital and property in our great lines of transportation, and would guard them with most conservative and scrupulous care; and, remembering the great public convenience which they serve, would grant them every just demand. But the rights of the public should be guarded as zealously, and asserted as against the personal wish or benefit of the individual.

Our supreme judicial court has clearly defined the trust relation of a railway company to the public. It has declared that "the establishment of such a great thoroughfare is regarded as a public work, established by public authority, intended for the public use and benefit, the use of which is secured to the whole community, and constitutes, therefore, like a canal, turnpike or highway, a public easement.

"The only principle on which the Legislature could have authorized the taking of private property for its construction, without the owner's consent, is that it was for the public use. . . . It is true that the real and personal property necessary to the establishment and management of the railroad is vested in the corporation; but it is in trust for the public.

"The company have not the general power of disposal, incident to the absolute right of property; they are obliged to use it in a particular manner and for the accomplishment of a well-defined public object; they are required to render frequent accounts of their management of this property to the agents of the public; and they are bound ultimately to surrender it to the public at a price and upon terms established." (*Worcester v. Western R.R. Co.* 4 Met. 566.)

These principles have been repeatedly and uniformly recognized and affirmed by all courts, national and State, and by legislation everywhere in our country. They are fundamental law.

This company has a valuable property in its railroad for which it is entitled to all just protection and consideration. But it is a property to which, in its origin, a public trust is attached. To sustain this trust the property itself was created, and in indissoluble connection with this trust in all legislation it must ever be considered. It cannot divest its property from the trust, nor ought it do anything which can impair the value of the trust or hazard its rights and objects. The company cannot sell, lease

or otherwise dispose of this property, deflect it from its purpose, or abandon its use. Because of this public trust the property is exempt from certain taxation and is given by law extraordinary powers and privileges, while it is properly allowed for services rendered fair and liberal compensation. The company holding this property thus in trust, while most carefully protected in their every property and personal right and interest, must be rigidly held faithfully and fully to administer the great trust imposed upon them. As with other trustees, they cannot be allowed in any way to depreciate or impair or unnecessarily to burden their trust, nor, in disregard of its obligations and duties, to look exclusively, in its administration, to their own benefit and profit. Where the beneficiaries of the trust are the public, who constantly depend upon legislative action for the protection of their rights and the redress of any grievances, it is especially incumbent upon us to see that such action is not detrimental to their interests.

The public trust imposed upon a railroad corporation distinguishes it widely from private business or manufacturing companies, which have no such legal obligation, but are established for the holding, use and control of private property for only personal ends and profit.

The Commonwealth has reserved the right not only to amend or repeal all railroad charters, but also to purchase the property itself, and to fix their rate of compensation with certain limitations. It provides that upon purchase it shall pay the amount of capital stock paid in with a net profit thereon of ten per cent. a year. This seems by law and custom to have been regarded a fair maximum profit for the supply, management and risk of the capital necessary for these quasi public corporations. The Legislature has rarely had occasion or disposition to use the great power thus reserved to it, and the railroad companies have considered it prudent and just to keep within this limit. This is a stronger reason why the Legislature should not sanction a measure which indirectly carries the profit much above this limit.

I know and appreciate the argument that an increase in the value of the stock of a railroad company, caused by its prudent management and extension of business, belongs to the company. But requiring the disposition, at its market value, of any new stock created, does not conflict with this right. It gives to the company the

whole benefit of such increase. It prevents the issue of stock more in amount than is necessary to raise the sum needed.

It saves to the individual stockholder any depreciation of his stock likely to follow from such unnecessary addition to the capital, and to the beneficiary public the burdensome charge of paying a dividend upon it. A needless burden is always an unjust burden, and is the more felt and resented when the occasion out of which it has arisen has been created by the activity, progress and business of those upon whom it falls. The commercial activity and increased travel of a community give a large business to a railroad. This requires of it permanent additions to and improvements of its property, and so an increase of its capital. This increase ought not to be so made as to be itself an enormous dividend to its stockholders, and an unnecessary burden upon the contributing community.

To a people largely dependent upon the railroads and cheap transportation, not only for their convenience and happiness, but also for their commercial prosperity, such burden comes with greater weight. Against it have been uttered their protests, emphasized by the formal action of the leading commercial bodies of New England.

For these reasons I believe the interests alike of the public, the railroad company, and, in the long run, of its stockholders, require that, when the authority of the Commonwealth is asked and given for an increase of the stock of the company, some provision should be made for the disposition of said stock at its market value, where such market value is largely in excess of its par value. If there is objection to its sale by auction, the option might well be given to the stockholders to take it at a fair value to be determined by the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

While the Commonwealth has not made such provision by general law applicable to all railroad corporations, it has already established a precedent for such a policy in the future. In giving authority last year (chap. 207, Acts of 1891) to the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to increase its capital stock, it expressly required that the new stock should be sold at public auction. What was sound public policy then when applied to that railroad seems to me sound public policy now as applied to this railroad. Other great railroad corporations, such as the Old Colony and the West End, have without com-

pulsion of law sold their new stock at auction, and every gas company chartered in this Commonwealth is required by law to do so.

In the light of this practice and these precedents I can see neither injustice nor hardship in requiring that the increase of capital authorized by this bill shall be upon a similar condition. On the contrary, I believe that both the public interest and a just public sentiment demand that it be done.

I therefore return this bill for your further consideration, with the suggestion that, if the views herein expressed meet with your approval, a bill in conformity with them, granting to this company authority to increase its stock, be passed.

W. E. RUSSELL.

Opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court.

A communication was received from the supreme judicial court, in response to an order adopted by the House, Tuesday, April 12, transmitting the opinion of said court, signed by five of the justices, as to whether cities and towns have the right under existing laws to establish and maintain municipal coal yards, together with the dissenting opinions of Justice Holmes and Justice Barker. On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the communication was ordered to be printed and placed on file. (See House, No. 519).

Opinions of the
supreme
judicial court, —
municipal coal
yards.

Petition Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Austin of Taunton, of Frederick S. Hall and 175 others of Taunton against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square, was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad, —
terminal station
in Boston.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester : —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending Rule 17 of the House rules by striking out the last sentence thereof.

House Rule
No. 17.

Adjournment,—
hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at half-past two o'clock P.M.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
State House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary :

Pilot commis-
sioners for
Boston harbor.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the pilot commissioners ; and an order relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners, and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one ; and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners (Messrs. Butler and McEttrick, of the Senate, dissenting) ;

Executive
responsibility.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to increased executive responsibility (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Carter of Wakefield, Luby of Fall River, McLoughlin of Milford and O'Brien of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting) ;

Administrative
boards and
commissions,—
removal and
appointment.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the power of removal and appointment (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Carter of Wakefield, Luby of Fall River, McLoughlin of Milford and O'Brien of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting) ; and

General
Superintendent
of Prisons.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commis-

sions, as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Carter of Wakefield, McLoughlin of Milford and O'Brien of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331) came down referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth. Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the reference, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Retirement of judges of probate and insolvency.

A Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings on questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners (Senate, No. 203) (reported on orders) ; and a

Compensation of ballot law commissioners.

Resolve relative to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago (Senate, No. 213) (reported on the special message from the Governor concerning the participation of the Commonwealth in the opening ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition) ;

World's Columbian Exposition.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A remonstrance of John W. Coughlin and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station in Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Perkins of Boston, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 212 of the Acts of the year 1885 as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years.

Taxation, — assessors' valuation.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative

to legislation to allow cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the basis of the valuation for the preceding year instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years.

Elections, —
equal repre-
sentation.

By Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of
Cambridge, —
public parks.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain a public park or parks. (House, No. 516.)

City of Pitts-
field, — Melville
street cemetery.

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville street cemetery in Pittsfield. (House, No. 518.)

City of Boston,
— public park.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody; from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park. (House, No. 519.)

Elections, —
challenges.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged. (House, No. 520.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Elections, —
woman
suffrage.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Nantucket, the report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Julia Ward Howe and others that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of Boston,
— registrar.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the Bill concerning the registrar of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 148) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Presho moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 501), which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, the Bill to incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association (Senate, No. 118) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 13.

Fall River Real Estate Association.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 393) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 17.

Carney Hospital.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools (which originated in the House) ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to the record and returns of marriages ; and
Concerning records of births, deaths and marriages ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking ;

Resolves passed.

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey ; and

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education; (Which severally originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by a general vote, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the Board of Agriculture;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River under the provisions of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An Act authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply" (House, No. 504);

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell (House, No. 511); and

In relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston (House, No. 512);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday, May 6, refused to order to a third reading the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438), was considered. Mr. McCall of Winchester moved that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, which motion was lost.

After debate the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 100 to 55.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby an amendment was adopted, striking out, in section 1, line 1, the word "hereafter," which motion, after debate, was lost.

After further debate, the previous question was ordered on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (House, No. 420), being the unfinished business of Friday, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation, was further considered.

Mr. Richmond of Freetown raised the point of order Point of order. that the report was improperly before the House, inasmuch as the committee on Expenditures had previously been discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and the matter had been reported upon by the committee on Taxation and acted upon by the House. The Speaker stated that it appeared from an examination of the papers that the committee on Expenditures had no authority to make the report, and therefore declared the point of order well taken, and the report was ruled out.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 480) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 22, as follows:—

"Sect. 22. Any officer or agent of any such corporation who shall fraudulently misapply, convert to his own use or embezzle any of the property of such corporation shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding five years, or by fine of not less than fifty nor more than one thousand dollars."

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to amend by inserting in section 12, lines 11 and 12, the words "with other information relating thereto;" also in lines 14, 15, 16 and 17, by inserting the words "and the commissioner may at other times require any further sworn statement as may be necessary relating to any such corporation."

The same gentleman also moved to amend by inserting at the end of section 20 the following:—

"Until after the insurance commissioner or attorney-general shall have refused or neglected to proceed as aforesaid."

The same gentleman also moved to amend by striking out sections 21 and 22.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend in section 20 by striking out all after the word "require" in line 17.

Mr. Merritt of Chelsea moved to amend by adding at the end of section 5 the following words: "Every subordinate body of such corporation, under whatever name, shall be entitled to elect from time to time one representative to the supreme or governing body; and such representative shall be entitled to all the powers and privileges pertaining to membership in such governing body."

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by adding two new sections, as follows:—

"Sect. 00. Every subordinate body of such corporation, under whatever name, shall be entitled to elect from time to time, to the supreme or governing body, one representative for each one hundred members or majority fraction thereof in good standing; and such representative shall be entitled to all the powers and privileges pertaining to membership in such governing body.

"And the supreme or governing body of every such corporation shall, within two months from the passage of this act, hold a meeting, of which at least thirty-five days' written notice shall be sent prepaid to every such subordinate body, and thereafter at least one such meeting, notified as aforesaid, shall be held in every year; and at any such meeting the supreme officers may be removed by a majority vote of the members present and voting,

and others elected in their stead, anything in the constitution and by-laws of the corporation to the contrary notwithstanding. Any such corporation neglecting to comply with the provisions of this section may be enjoined by a justice of the supreme judicial or superior court, upon the application of any certificate holder, from transacting any business while such neglect continues.

“Sect. 00. If a certificate holder in any such corporation which pays disability benefits and a benefit to a member or his family during lifetime shall fail to pay an assessment within the time prescribed in the notice, the certificate shall thereupon terminate, and notice of such termination shall forthwith be mailed by the officers of the corporation to the last address of said certificate holder appearing upon the records of the corporation: *provided, however,* that if the assessment upon which default is made by a certificate holder was payable within seven days of the last day on which any prior assessment was payable, such certificate holder shall be entitled, notwithstanding said default, to receive at the time when by the terms of his certificate the benefit therein named would have been payable if there had been no default, an amount equal to fifty per cent. of the amount paid by him to the disability and endowment fund prior to said default.”

The same gentleman further moved to amend in section 20 by striking out all after the word “who” in line 6, down to and including the word “and” in line 9; also in the same section by striking out, in lines 12 and 13, the words “upon hearing the matter,” and inserting in place thereof the words “with or without a hearing.”

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend, in section 9, line 3, by inserting, after the word “act,” the following words:—

“Which does not employ paid agents in soliciting or procuring business nor offer to other than its certificate holders inducements to procure members, and which conducts its business on the lodge system, or limits its certificate holders to a particular order, class or fraternity, or to the employees of a particular town or city, designated firm, business house or corporation, and.”

The same gentleman also moved to amend by striking out, after the word “members,” in the ninth line of said section 9, the words “in such amount and manner,” and inserting in place thereof the words “in such amounts

and at such times and in such manner and subject to such contingencies."

The same gentleman also moved to amend by inserting at the end of section 9 the following:—

"*Provided, however,* that a corporation transacting business in accordance with the provisions of this section, which does not make its payments to beneficiaries at one time and in one amount, may collect from its members by assessments a sufficient amount to meet its accrued liabilities, as the same occur, and that any portion of the funds so collected remaining unpaid to beneficiaries shall be carried to the emergency fund, which, invested and deposited as above provided, shall at all times be equal to said accrued liabilities; the excess of such fund over said accrued liabilities may be at any time drawn upon for payments in the contingency provided by its contracts, and any surplus above said total liabilities may at any time be used for the reduction of assessments upon the members."

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by substituting the provisions of the bill reported by the committee on Insurance (House, No. 429), modified by striking out in section 8, lines 20, 21 and 22, the words, in italics, "No interest shall be charged the member on such payments, nor shall they be treated as or deemed to be loans."

Mr. Baker of Boston moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 10, as follows:—

"*Sect. 10.* Every corporation organized and doing business under section 8 of this act shall divide its membership into district lodges or branches, not to exceed 5,000 members in each such lodge or branch. Every such district lodge or branch shall be entitled to elect from time to time, to the supreme or governing body, two representatives, who shall be entitled to all the powers and privileges pertaining to membership in such governing body."

The same gentleman also moved to amend in section 8 by inserting after the word "matured" in line 25 the words "or surrendered."

Mr. Dennis of Salem moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 26, as follows:—

"*Sect. 26.* The provisions of this act shall not apply to the fraternal organizations known as the Royal Arcanum, the Knights of Honor, the Ancient Order of United

Workmen, or to any other organization which pays sick or death benefits, and does not pay an endowment during the lifetime of its members."

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend by striking out, in section 8, lines 89 to 98 inclusive. S E

Mr. Wood of Boston moved to amend in section 19, lines 9 and 10, by striking out the words "May twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and ninety," and inserting in place thereof the words "January first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two."

Pending the various amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Wellman of Malden moved a suspension of the 5th joint rule to allow the bill to be recommitted, which motion prevailed. On further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes before five o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. S. Hopkins Emery of Taunton.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Streets.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits ;

Indebtedness of cities.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one-half per cent. on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation ; and

Telephone companies, — character and price of service.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lexington Water Company.

A Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply (Senate, No. 206) (reported on a petition) ; and a

Stillman W. Edgell.

Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell (Senate, No. 207) (introduced on leave in the Senate) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station in Boston.

A remonstrance of Isaac B. Tompkins, Jr., and others, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury (Senate, No. 162) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Town of Newbury,—annual meeting.

At twenty minutes before three o'clock Mr. Ferren of Stoneham moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost by a vote of 7 to 33.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to procure the attendance of absent members.

Mr. Rockwell of Fitchburg moved that the roll be called. The motion prevailed, and the following-named gentlemen answered to their names :—

ROLL CALL.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Hart, William H.
Barrett, Richard F.	Healy, Lemuel
Barrows, Hiram W.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Howard, S. Edward
Buck, Anson	Hoyt, Warren
Burnham, Lewis	Hyde, William S.
Carroll, Michael	Jenkins, Robert B.
Charles, Salem D.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Chester, Dwight	Lawrence, William B.
Clark, Edward P.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Clark, Louis M.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Clayton, Horace E.	McCarthy, Daniel
Crosby, James P.	McEvoy, John W.
Cutler, George E.	McSolla, Richard F.
Cutler, George P.	Meyer, George v. L.
Daley, Edward L.	Mooney, William L.
Durant, William B.	Newell, Richard
Dyar, Perlle A.	Norton, John H.
Fairbanks, Edward	Nye, Charles H.
Fallon, James O.	Olmstead, James M.
Fay, James M.	Potter, Samuel A.
Ferren, Myron J.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Galloupe, George A.	Read, Franklin F.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Rivers, George R. R.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Hale, Charles H.	Rosnosky, Isaac

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Messrs. Rugg, George H.	Messrs. St. John, Thomas E.
Savage, Patrick J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Shute, Charles F.	Winslow, George S.
Smith, James B.	Wood, Frank C.
Sprague, Charles F.	

63 present.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, at five minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned by a vote of 36 to 24.

By vote of the House, May 11, the Clerk was directed to append to the Journal of to-day the following list of names of members who were absent, when the above roll was called, on a matter of investigation in connection with legislation pending before the Legislature (see House Journal of to-morrow):—

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Brown, Samuel J.
Adams, John W.	Bryant, Charles H.
Allen, James E.	Buckley, William P.
Anderson, Stephen	Burbank, Roland E.
Andrews, Miles S.	Burke, James F.
Ashley, Henry W.	Capen, Robert P.
Austin, J. Lewis	Carter, James H.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Casey, Joseph J.
Baker, William G.	Chance, Charles J.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Clough, George S.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Coakley, Daniel H.
Bates, Jacob P.	Connolly, Francis
Battles, David W.	Crane, George A.
Bennett, Frank P.	Crosman, Charles
Bessom, Eugene A.	Crowell, Elkanah
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Dacey, Charles M.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Danforth, John M.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Delaney, Patrick
Blodgett, Percival	Dennis, William D.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Breen, Daniel F.	Dolan, William J.
Brigham, William H.	Driscoll, John A.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Fall, George
Brown, Benjamin F.	Fletcher, J. Henry

Messrs. Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.

Messrs. McAnally, Frank
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, Sumner
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wolf, Bernard M.

WEDNESDAY, May 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

City of Quincy,
— board of
water commis-
sioners.

A petition, presented by Mr. Burke of Quincy, of the mayor of Quincy that said city may be authorized to appoint a board of water commissioners, and for legislation relative to the purchase of the franchise and property of the Quincy Water Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Burke, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of Con-
way, — town
meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Miller of Conway, of the selectmen of Conway that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town may be legalized, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Miller, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Carney
Hospital.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth, of John W. Goodhue and 31 others of Ipswich against granting the petition of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Orders.

Constitutional
amendment, —
property qual-
ification for the
office of
Governor. *

The following order, offered by Mr. Hevey of Woburn, —
Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments report such legislation as is necessary to provide for the submission to the people of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the

office of Governor, the same having been agreed to by the last and present General Courts,—

Came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Hevey, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester:—

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms furnish forthwith to the House of Representatives a printed list of the names of the legislative agents registered for the year 1892, and the purposes for which they are registered.

Legislative agents.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways (Senate, No. 209) (being a new draft of a House resolve on leave taken from the Senate files of last year), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Laying out or alteration of highways.

A remonstrance of Francis S. Babbitt and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station in Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote (Mr. McEttrick, of the Senate, dissenting).

Elections, — percentage of vote cast.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888 and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian Ballot Act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto (Mr. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Messrs. Merritt of Chelsea and Hart of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting).

Use of the Australian system of voting at caucuses.

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By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall require, as far as practicable, the application of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to printing ballots at the public expense, to nominating conventions or meetings for State or city elective officers (Mr. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Messrs. Merritt of Chelsea and Hart of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting).

Caucuses, —
taxation of
aliens.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters, and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Discharged from the Orders.

Railroad fares.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting after the word "fifteen" the words "dollars per share," which amendment was adopted.

Pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Moriarty, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Bicknell moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 4, as follows: —

"Sect. 4. Upon the completion of the asylum buildings, as herein provided, the trustees shall so notify the Governor, who with the advice and consent of the council shall thereupon appoint four additional trustees, two of whom shall be women, who, with the trustees previously appointed, shall thereafter constitute the board of trustees of the asylum to be designated and known as the Medfield State Asylum, and shall hold office, the three previously appointed for terms of one, two and three years respectively,

and the four additionally appointed for terms of four, five, six and seven years respectively, beginning with the first Monday of the month next ensuing, and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified; and previous to the first Monday of said month in each year thereafter the Governor shall in like manner appoint one trustee to hold office for the term of seven years, beginning with said first Monday, and until his successor is appointed and qualified; and, except as herein otherwise provided from the constitution of the board of trustees as provided in this section, all the laws relative to the State lunatic hospitals and to persons committed thereto on the ground of insanity, so far as they may be applicable, are hereby made a part of this act: *provided*, that no patient shall be admitted to said asylum except as transferred thereto by the State Board of Lunacy and Charity from one of the State lunatic hospitals or the Worcester Insane Asylum; and *provided, further*, that the price for the support of State, city and town paupers shall not exceed two dollars and eighty cents a week for each person."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 18.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the Resolve in relation to the State printing (House, No. 479) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 16. State printing.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond (House, No. 487) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow. Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437) was discharged from the orders of the Liens on buildings and land.

day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 16.

Town of East Longmeadow.

On motion of Mr. Lyford of Springfield, the Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 357) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 18.

Report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, the report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 18.

Taxation of personal property.

Mr. Hooker of Westhampton asked unanimous consent that the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388), postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 12, be considered as postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 17. The request was granted, and the bill was accordingly so postponed.

Journal of Yesterday, — Roll Call.

Journal of yesterday, — roll call.

The orders of the day having been laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Clerk was directed to insert in the journal of yesterday a list (which was handed to the Chair) of members of the House who were absent from the House yesterday on a matter of investigation in relation to legislation pending before the Legislature. On motion of Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, the list was read, and on further motion of Mr. Mellen, it was voted that if any member was incorrectly reported on the list, correction should be made. (See House Journal of yesterday.)

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law ; Bills enacted.

To authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth ;

To change the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in Pittsfield ;

Authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock ; and

To confirm the proceedings of certain town meetings of the town of Tyngsborough ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars (which originated in the House) ; and Resolves passed.

In favor of Andrew J. Pixley (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court : Orders of the day.

On an order relative to legislation providing for the increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members, and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large, and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board ;

On the petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885 as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years ; and

On an order relative to legislation to allow cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit

on the basis of the valuation for the preceding year instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the pilot commissioners ; and an order relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners, and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one, and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one-half per cent. on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 96) ;

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the southern district (Senate, No. 124) ;

To authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor (Senate, No. 200) ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain a public park or parks (House, No. 516) ;

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield (House, No. 518) ;

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged (House, No. 520) ; and

To confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury (Senate, No. 162) ; and the

Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell (Senate, No. 207) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton (Senate, No. 100) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the appointment of a commissioner of public records (House, No. 234) ;

To incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 509) ; and

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 508) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the identification of criminals (Senate, No. 176) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings (Senate, No. 198) ; and

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 146) ;

Were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372) was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 95 to 43. Mr. Keliher of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was ordered to a third reading, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (House, No. 187) was considered. On the question " Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called, the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate. The vote was 6 yeas to 181 nays, as follows :—

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YEAS.

Messrs. Bartlett, Robert G.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Gallup, William W.

Messrs. Hall, Henry C.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Melaven, James F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Allen, James E.
Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Appleton, Francis H.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Austin, J. Lewis
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Blodgett, Percival
Bourne, Franklin C.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Samuel J.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buck, Anson
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clough, George S.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Crosby, James P.

Messrs. Crosman, Charles
Crowell, Elkanah
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Cutler, George E.
Cutler, George P.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Danforth, John M.
Dennis, William D.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Durant, William B.
Easland, John N.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fall, George
Fay, James M.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fiske, Granville C.
Fletcher, J. Henry
Francis, Frank W.
French, Russell M.
Galloupe, George A.
Gardner, Arthur H.
George, Edwin H.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Giles, Joseph J.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Golding, John
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Green, George H. B.
Hale, Charles H.
Halley, Dennis E.
Harding, N. Frank
Harris, Charles E.
Hart, William H.
Heald, Joseph B.
Healy, Lemuel
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Hemenway, William H.	Messrs. Parker, James O.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hinds, John F.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Hoar, John J.	Perkins, George W.
Hobson, Charles H.	Potter, Samuel A.
Hooker, Charles H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Horton, Everett S.	Pratt, Amasa
Howard, George C.	Presho, Edward W.
Howe, S. Augustus	Proctor, George O.
Hoyt, Warren	Quinn, Thomas A.
Hyde, William S.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jackson, Charles T.	Read, Franklin F.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Richardson, Albert W.
Jennings, Henry J.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Jennison, Henry J.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Richmond, Silas P.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Rivers, George R. R.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Lakin, James A.	Roe, Alfred S.
Lane, Howard G.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Rugg, George H.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lawrence, Amos A.	Savage, Patrick J.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Loud, John C.	Simonds, George R.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Smith, James B.
Lowe, William W.	Smith, Sumner
Luby, Patrick B.	Smith, Sylvanus
Luther, William	Soule, George L.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lynch, John B.	Stickney, Clarence
McAnally, Frank	St. John, Thomas E.
McCall, Samuel W.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
McEvoy, John W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McSolla, Richard F.	Sundberg, John F.
Mellen, James H.	Tucker, George F.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Turner, Edward E.
Meyer, George v. L.	Warren, Bentley W.
Miller, Horace E.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Mooney, William L.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Newell, Richard	Winslow, George S.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Nickerson, Osborn	Wood, Frank C.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
O'Brien, John J.	Woodward, Amos P.
Parker, Bowdoin S.	

Yeas, 6 ; Nays, 181.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

Mr. Olmstead, James M.*

NAY.

Mr. O'Neil, Eugene J.

* Present.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 185) was considered. On the question, "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called, the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate. The vote was 3 yeas to 181 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Dyar, Perlle A.
Hall, Henry C.

Mr. Olmstead, James M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Adams, John W.
Allen, James E.
Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Appleton, Francis H.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Austin, J. Lewis
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Blodgett, Albert G.
Blodgett, Percival
Bourne, Franklin C.

Messrs. Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Brown, Samuel J.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clough, George S.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Crosby, James P.
Crosman, Charles
Crowell, Elkanah
Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Cutler, George E.
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 Dacey, Charles M.
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 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Durant, William B.
 Easland, John N.
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 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
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 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hoyt, Warren
 Hyde, William S.

Messrs. Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 Melaven, James F.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Newell, Richard
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.

Messrs. Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Messrs. Stickney, Clarence
Richmond, Silas P.	St. John, Thomas E.
Rivers, George R. R.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Rockwell, Henry F.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Roe, Alfred S.	Sundberg, John F.
Rosnosky, Isaac	Taft, Henry G.
Rugg, George H.	Tucker, George F.
Sargent, J. Bradford	Turner, Edward E.
Savage, Patrick J.	Warren, Bentley W.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Simonds, George R.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Smith, James B.	Winslow, George S.
Smith, Sumner	Wolf, Bernard M.
Smith, Sylvanus	Wood, Frank C.
Soule, George L.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Sparhawk, Henry C.	

Yeas, 3; Nays, 181.

The Bill to amend acts relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 419) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill relative to the volunteer militia" (House, No. 493), Mr. Dyar of Boston moved to amend the bill recommended as a substitute, in section 2, line 16, by inserting, after the word "service," the following words: "and for every four companies of any regiment so changed there shall be one unmounted battalion adjutant with the rank of second lieutenant, and one sergeant-major, each of whom shall be appointed by the colonel upon the recommendation of the major commanding said companies."

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend the bill recommended as a substitute, in section 3, line 10, by striking out the words "and two color guard;" also in the same line by striking out the word "each;" also in lines 29 and 30 of the same section by striking out the words "and two color guard;" also in line 30 by striking out the word "each;" also in section 6, lines 18 and 49, respectively, by striking out the words "color guard;" also in section 8, line 20, by striking out the words "two color guards."

After debate the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as amended, was substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, pending an amendment previously moved by Mr. Parker, pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, and pending the point of order previously raised by Mr. Charles of Boston.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the State central committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling a number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do, was further considered.

Mr. Merritt of Chelsea moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to nominations for State officers" (House, No. 448), and moved to amend the bill by inserting the words "for Governor" after the word "State," in line 10 of section 1, which amendment was lost.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on substitution, at the request of Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the roll being called, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 62 yeas to 130 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.

Messrs. Clark, Edward P.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Fallon, James O.
French, Russell M.

Messrs. Gilbride, Michael B.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Golding, John	Merritt, Marcus M.
Halley, Dennis E.	Mooney, William L.
Hart, William H.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heald, Joseph B.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Heffernan, Edward J.	O'Brien, John J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parker, James O.
Hoar, John J.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Hobson, Charles H.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Roe, Alfred S.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Savage, Patrick J.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lynch, John B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McAnally, Frank	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
McEvoy, John W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McLean, Isaac	Sundberg, John F.
McLoughlin, John T.	Turner, Edward E.
McSolla, Richard F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Melaven, James F.	Wolf, Bernard M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Burnham, Lewis
Adams, John W.	Cannon, William
Allen, James E.	Chester, Dwight
Andrews, Miles S.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Appleton, Francis H.	Clark, Louis M.
Atwood, Edward B.	Clough, George S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Coburn, Clarence G.
Austin, J. Lewis	Crane, George A.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Crosby, James P.
Baker, William G.	Crosman, Charles
Barrett, Richard F.	Crowell, Elkanah
Barrows, Hiram W.	Cutler, George E.
Barstow, Thomas	Cutler, George P.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Danforth, John M.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Dennis, William D.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Bates, Jacob P.	Durant, William B.
Battles, David W.	Dyar, Perlle A.
Bennett, Frank P.	Fairbanks, Edward
Bessom, Eugene A.	Fall, George
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Fay, James M.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Ferren, Myron J.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Fiske, Granville C.
Blodgett, Percival	Fletcher, J. Henry
Brown, Benjamin F.	Friend, George H.
Brown, Samuel J.	Galloupe, George A.
Buck, Anson	Gallup, William W.

Messrs. Gardner, Arthur H.	Messrs. Miller, Horace E.
Garfield, George H.	Morse, Stillman F.
George, Edwin H.	Newell, Richard
Giles, Joseph J.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Nickerson, Osborn
Gillett, Ransom W.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Gray, Joshua S.	Oakes, William H.
Green, George H. B.	Olmstead, James M.
Hale, Charles H.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hall, Henry C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Harding, N. Frank	Perkins, Augustus G.
Harris, Charles E.	Perkins, George W.
Hemenway, William H.	Potter, Samuel A.
Holmes, Charles H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Hooker, Charles H.	Pratt, Amasa
Horton, Everett S.	Proctor, George O.
Howard, George C.	Read, Franklin F.
Howard, S. Edward	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Howe, S. Augustus	Richmond, Silas P.
Hyde, William S.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Jackson, Charles T.	Rivers, George R. R.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Jennings, Henry J.	Rugg, George H.
Jennison, Henry J.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Jordan, Edgar E.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Simonds, George R.
Lakin, James A.	Smith, James B.
Lane, Howard G.	Smith, Sumner
Larkin, Erastus D.	Smith, Sylvanus
Lawrence, Amos A.	Soule, George L.
Lawrence, William B.	Sprague, Charles F.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	St. John, Thomas E.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Taft, Henry G.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Tucker, George F.
Low, Emery M.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Luther, William	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Lyford, Edwin F.	Wood, Frank C.
McCall, Samuel W.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 62 ; Nays, 130.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Brogan, Patrick F.	Messrs. Loud, John C.*
Francis, Frank W.*	Stickney, Clarence
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Kilduff, Richard G.*
Rosnosky, Isaac	Presho, Edward W.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was read a second time.

Point of order.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the order considered by the committee, and upon which the bill was reported.

Pending the point of order, the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester.

The Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers (House, No. 348) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Howard of Newton moved to amend by inserting two new sections, to be numbered sections 2 and 3, as follows:—

“*Sect. 2.* Whenever any person or persons shall pay for the use and occupancy of a lower berth in any sleeping-car in this Commonwealth, such person or persons so paying for and occupying such berth shall have the right to say to the conductor, porter, or other person in charge of such sleeping-car whether the upper berth shall be opened or closed until such upper berth is actually sold and occupied; and it shall be the duty of such person, company or corporation, owning or operating such sleeping-car, to comply with the request of such person or persons who have paid for the use of such lower berth.

“*Sect. 3.* Any person, company or corporation refusing to comply with the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dyar of Boston, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 94 to 66.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart along their lines, was further considered.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a “ Bill providing for the construction and main-

tenance of cut-off boxes upon street railways" (House, No. 490).

Mr. Golding raised the point of order that the bill moved as an amendment was beyond the scope of the order considered by the committee. The Chair (Mr. Lyford of Springfield) declared the point of order not well taken. Point of order.

After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 36 to 72, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands (House, No. 323) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to amend in line 1 by striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the word "four."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the amendment was adopted.

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 65 yeas to 82 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, Edward B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barstow, Thomas
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Brown, Samuel J.
Buck, Anson
Burnham, Lewis
Carter, James H.
Clough, George S.
Crane, George A.
Crosby, James P.
Crosman, Charles
Crowell, Elkanah
Dacey, Charles M.
Danforth, John M.
Dennis, William D.
Dyar, Perlle A.

Messrs. Fall, George
Fay, James M.
Ferren, Myron J.
French, Russell M.
Gallup, William W.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Graham, John R.
Green, George H. B.
Hale, Charles H.
Hinds, John F.
Holmes, Charles H.
Howe, S. Augustus
Hyde, William S.
Jennings, Henry J.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Lincoln, Stephen R.
Lougee, Joseph L.
Luby, Patrick B.

Messrs. Luther, William
 Lynch, John B.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McLean, Isaac
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Miller, Horace E.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Perkins, Augustus G.

Messrs. Potter, Samuel A.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Proctor, George O.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Tucker, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Durant, William B.
 Fallon, James O.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Galloupe, George A.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John

Messrs. Gray, Joshua S.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene H.
 Newell, Richard
 Norton, John H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quinn, Timothy F.

Messrs. Richmond, Silas P.	Messrs. Taft, Henry G.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Turner, Edward E.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Warren, Bentley W.
St. John, Thomas E.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Sullivan, Michael F.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Sundberg, John F.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 65 ; Nays, 82.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Meyer, George v. L.	Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac *
Read, Franklin F. *	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Low, Emery M.	Nourse, Andrew L. *
Hooker, Charles H. *	Pratt, Amasa
Quinn, Thomas A. *	Brogan, Patrick F.

* Present.

The Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor upon premises where billiards and other games are played (House, No. 324) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words “ *Provided*, that this act shall not apply to hotels having twenty-five rooms or more.”

Mr. Leonard of Waltham moved to amend by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: “ *Section 1.* No license to sell intoxicating liquor shall hereafter be granted to be exercised by any person in the same room in which games of billiards, sippio, pool or bowling are authorized to be played, nor in any room adjacent thereto and connected therewith by an interior communication. Any license to sell intoxicating liquor granted or exercised in violation of the provisions of this act shall be void.”

Pending the amendments, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad, — ter-
minal station in
Boston.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, of Stephen Stanley and 449 others of North Attleborough against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square, was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, and sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Hours of labor
of women and
children.

By Mr. Connolly of Fall River, petition of Joseph Hodgson and others; by Mr. Heffernan of Fall River, petition of James Cartledge and others; by Mr. Delaney of Fall River, petitions of Hannah Storey and others, of William Dobson and others, of W. H. Lemon and others, of Samuel Ford and others, of Thomas Morrison and others, of Thomas Shepley and others, of Peter Richards and others, of Edith Brooks, of Albina Bonin, of Mamie Whittaker and others, and of Patrick Flynn and others; and by Mr. Melaven of Worcester, petition of Ellen Ryder and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 58 hours a week.

Papers from the Senate.

Red Men's
Building Asso-
ciation.

A Bill to incorporate the Red Men's Building Association (Senate, No. 211) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the
assistant clerk
of the municipal
court of the
South Boston
district.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district (House, No. 295) came down referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the

Commonwealth, in which reference the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for altering and improving the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Governor William Eustis,
— burial lot.

A petition of Isaac N. Nutter that the Commonwealth relinquish to the town of Bridgewater the right of way over such land of the State Normal School in Bridgewater as may be needed for the construction of a town way or highway in said town was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Bridgewater, — right of way across land of State Normal School.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county expenses be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— indebtedness and rate of taxation.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners.

City of Boston,
— sinking funds.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty.

Pensions for injured policemen and firemen.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Rosnosky, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide, at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting hall, reading rooms, proper arrangements for baths and rooms for recreation.

Buildings for working men and women.

Elections, —
appointment of
tellers in towns.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that in elections held under the Australian system in towns the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator as now provided.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 527.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

World's
Columbian
Exposition.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relating to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago (Senate, No. 213) ought to pass.

Duties of judges
of probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (Senate, No. 193) ought to pass, with the following amendments: In section 2, line 2, strike out the word "treasurer" and insert in place thereof the word "auditor;" also in section 4, line 4, strike out the word "treasurer" and insert in place thereof the word "auditor."

State Normal
School in
Westfield.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield ought to pass. (House, No. 525.)

Towns of
Dennis and
Yarmouth, —
superintendent
of schools.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ought to pass. (House, No. 526.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Cape Cod
Maritime Canal
Company.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446) ought to pass (Messrs. Bartlett of Lowell, Shute of Malden and Jenkins of Wellfleet dissenting). Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 489) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee, — superintendent of schools.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for improvements at the Massachusetts Reformatory ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Massachusetts Reformatory.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart along their lines, and on further motions of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table, and the clerk was directed to retain the papers.

Street railway companies, — cut-off boxes.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Winthrop, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands (House, No. 323), was reconsidered. The question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was so ordered by a vote of 72 to 20.

Street bands.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of public records (House, No. 234). After debate the motion was lost.

Commissioner of public records.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and to supply fuel for their citizens at cost, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Municipal coal yards

City of Brockton,—sewerage.

On motions of Mr. Low of Brockton, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Thursday, April 28, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater (House, No. 407), was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 17.

Discharged from the Orders.

Salary of the justice of the police court of Newton.

On motion of Mr. Chester of Newton, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton (Senate, No. 130) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Everett.

On motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, the Bill to incorporate the city of Everett (House, No. 498) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 17.

Credit companies and collection bureaus.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to regulate and establish supervision of the business done by credit companies and collection bureaus (House, No. 513) was discharged from the orders of the day; under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Olmstead moved that the 5th joint rule be suspended to allow the bill to be recommitted, which motion, after debate, was adopted, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

City of Fall River,—water supply.

On motion of Mr. Connolly of Fall River, the Bill concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River under the provisions of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An Act authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply" (House, No. 504),

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, inserting, in section 1, line 3, after the word "of," the words "chapter forty-nine of," which amendment was adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of Mr. Connolly, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 19.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 16.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton (Senate, No. 100) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

City of North-
ampton,—grade
crossing.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, the Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain a public park or parks (House, No. 516) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, rule 15 was suspended.

City of Cam-
bridge,—public
parks.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory; Bills enacted.

Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massachusetts Reformatory; and

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company;
(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a park way (which originated in the

House) was put upon its final passage. On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, House Rule No. 52 was suspended, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words "or park," and the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell (House, No. 511) ; and

In relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston (House, No. 512) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury (Senate, No. 162) ; and the

Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell (Senate, No. 207) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Keliber of Boston to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, ordered to a third reading the Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372), was considered, and after debate, was lost by a vote of 68 to 85.

The Bill to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor upon premises where billiards and other games are played (House, No. 324), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed. The pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Parker of Boston and Leonard of Waltham, were severally rejected, and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 55 to 88.

The report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Fred F. Bryant and others for legislation to restrain the Revere Copper Company of Canton from drawing down the waters of Massapoag Lake to such an extent as to endanger public health, was further considered.

Mr. Quinn of Sharon moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prevent the injury to public health occasioned by drawing off the waters of Massapoag Lake below high-water mark" (House, No. 500).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 81 to 52, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Mr. Rivers of Milton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was substituted, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Subsequently the motion to reconsider was withdrawn by Mr. Rivers, there being no objection.

The Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) was taken up. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Green of Belchertown moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 19, which motion, after debate, was adopted by a vote of 60 to 55, and the bill was accordingly so postponed.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to amend in section 1, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the words "whose stock is selling at one hundred and fifteen dollars per share or over."

Point of order.

Mr. Hobson of Lowell raised the point of order that the amendment was broader in its scope than the orders considered by the committee. The Chair (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park) declared the point of order not well taken.

Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "but no railroad corporation shall be required to accept a less fare than five cents for transporting any person between two points."

Mr. Coakley of Cambridge moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "and no railroad corporation whose stock is selling at one hundred and fifteen dollars per share or over shall charge more than one and one-half cents per mile for transporting any person between points within a ten-mile circuit of Boston."

Point of order.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford raised the point of order that the amendment moved by Mr. Coakley was broader in its scope than the orders considered by the committee. The Speaker (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park) declared the point of order not well taken.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield. The Chair (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park) stated that Mr. Burke of Quincy, of the committee on Railroads, being in charge of the bill, was entitled to speak ten minutes.

Point of order.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield raised the point of order that, having reported the bill from the committee on Rules, he was entitled to the ten minutes allowed under House Rule No. 85 to the member having charge of the measure.

The Chair (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park) ruled as follows : The bill under consideration was originally reported by the committee on Railroads ; at a later stage a point of order was raised that the bill was broader in its scope than the order on which it was based, and, under a suspension of joint rule 5, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Railroads and sent to the Senate for concurrence. Subsequently it came from the Senate with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was then recommitted to the House committee on Rules. Said committee made the following report : "Understanding that the reference was made for the purpose of making the bill conform to the provisions of the order on which it was reported and not for an examination into its merits, this committee, without expressing any opinion as to its merits, and for the purpose simply of placing the matter

before the House, report the accompanying bill." From which report it appears that said committee on Rules treated it as though it was a matter from which they were to remove a technical objection and present it in a parliamentary form to the House, and did not consider it upon its merits; and as the gentleman reporting the bill from the committee on Rules (Mr. Gillett) has spoken against the bill, it is evident that he cannot be considered in charge of the measure. Therefore, in accordance with precedents as laid down in the rulings by previous speakers (Manual, page 481), the Chair will rule that Mr. Burke of Quincy, of the committee on Railroads, who was originally in charge of the measure, is now in charge of the bill and entitled to the ten minutes under the rule, and declares the point of order of the gentleman from Springfield not well taken.

The amendment moved by Mr. Burko was adopted. The amendments moved by Messrs. Parker and Coakley were severally rejected, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 93 to 66.

The Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its track across Lake Quinsigamond (House, No. 487) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend in section 4, line 7, by striking out the words "town of Northborough," and inserting in place thereof the words "city of Marlborough;" also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 6, as follows: "*Sect. 6.* In case the city of Worcester should decide to construct a bridge in the future to replace the whole or a part of the causeway, the railroad company shall be required to bear its proportional share of the cost of said bridge, said share to be determined by the county commissioners of Worcester County."

Mr. Clough of Worcester moved to amend in section 2, line 6, by striking out the words "stand upon" and inserting in place thereof the word "occupy."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Pending the point of order raised by Mr. Charles of Boston to the amendment moved by Mr. Parker of Boston, the Speaker ordered the doors to be closed. Mr. Charles moved that the House adjourn. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, and the roll being called the motion was lost by a vote of 68 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Hemenway, William H.
Allen, James E.	Hinds, John F.
Austin, J. Lewis	Hoyt, Warren
Baker, William G.	Jennings, Henry J.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Jennison, Henry J.
Barrett, Richard F.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Barstow, Thomas	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Lawrence, William B.
Battles, David W.	Low, Emery M.
Bennett, Frank P.	Luther, William
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Bliss, Frederic W.	McCall, Samuel W.
Brewer, Edward S.	McEvoy, John W.
Buckley, William P.	McLoughlin, John T.
Burke, James F.	Mellen, James H.
Capen, Robert P.	Miller, Horace E.
Carroll, Michael	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Charles, Salem D.	Norton, John H.
Clough, George S.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Connolly, Francis	O'Brien, John J.
Crosman, Charles	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Crowell, Elkanah	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Cutler, George P.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Dacey, Charles M.	Presho, Edward W.
Delaney, Patrick	Rockwell, Henry F.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Ross, Samuel
Francis, Frank W.	Savage, Patrick J.
Galloupe, George A.	Shute, Charles F.
Garfield, George H.	Simonds, George R.
Green, George H. B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Hall, Henry C.	Tucker, George F.
Harding, N. Frank	Turner, Edward E.
Hart, William H.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Wilder, Aaron O.

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Blodgett, Albert G.
Atwood, Edward B.	Blodgett, Percival
Bardwell, Henry D.	Breen, Daniel F.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Brogan, Patrick F.

Messrs. Brown, Benjamin F.	Messrs. Keliher, Thomas J.
Carter, James H.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Casey, Joseph J.	Lawrence, Amos A.
Chance, Charles J.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Clark, Edward P.	Loud, John C.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Luby, Patrick B.
Clayton, Horace E.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Lynch, John B.
Danforth, John M.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Dennis, William D.	McAnally, Frank
Dodge, Edgar S.	Melaven, James F.
Dolan, William J.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Driscoll, John A.	Morse, Stillman F.
Durant, William B.	Newell, Richard
Dyar, Perlle A.	Nickerson, Osborn
Fairbanks, Edward	Olmstead, James M.
Fall, George	Perkins, Augustus G.
Ferren, Myron J.	Potter, Samuel A.
Fiske, Granville C.	Quinn, Timothy F.
French, Russell M.	Read, Franklin F.
George, Edwin H.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Richmond, Silas P.
Golding, John	Rivers, George R. R.
Graham, John R.	Roe, Alfred S.
Gray, Joshua S.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Halley, Dennis E.	Smith, Sylvanus
Healy, Lemuel	Soule, George L.
Hoar, John J.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Howe, S. Augustus	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hyde, William S.	Taft, Henry G.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Wolf, Bernard M.

Yeas, 68 ; Nays, 70.

Mr. Wolf of Boston moved that the doors be opened, which motion was adopted by a vote of 88 to 13.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, at eleven minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Boston and
Providence
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, a remonstrance of Morse Brothers and 288 others of Canton against the changing of the station of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad from Park square, in Boston, to Kneeland street. To the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Sent up for concurrence.

Proxy voting by
corporations.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, petitions of Benjamin O. Wilson and of John C. Haynes and others, — severally, for such legislation as will give equal privileges of proxy voting to all members of all corporations.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Political parties,
— nominations.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of the Prohibition State Central Committee that any political party whose average vote for Governor for the three years next preceding shall average three per cent. of the average total vote for Governor for these years shall enjoy all the rights and privileges now given to a party that casts three per cent. of the vote for Governor for one year, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws. On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the committee was instructed to report within two weeks, and the petition was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule, and in the reference with instructions.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Committee on
Election Laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, May 20, within which to report.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard, —

Ordered, That the committee on State House be granted until Thursday, May 19, to report upon matters now before them. Committee on State House.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardner, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be granted such further time as may be necessary in order to act upon matters referred to them. Committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Committee on Cities.

The House bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton (House, No. 306) ; and Salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 351) ; Salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Severally came down referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, in which reference the House concurred, and the bills were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House petition of the selectmen of Conway that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town may be legalized came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. Town of Conway, — town meeting.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection, by that branch, of the House Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by, or on behalf of, any street railway company in any city or town (House, No. 294). Hours of labor of street railway employees.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable cities in the Commonwealth to consolidate their water and sewer departments and establish an annual sewer rate. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and sent up for concurrence. Consolidation of water and sewer departments.

Discharged from the Orders.

Telephone
companies,—
charges.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 17.

Joint special
committee,—
State printing.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 19, adopted an order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 19, on motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston.

Salary of the
justice of the
first district
court of Eastern
Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Nourse of Bolton, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester (Senate, No. 160) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, and sent up for concurrence.

City of Medford.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the city of Medford (House, No. 496) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
—Jamaica Pond
and Ward's
Pond.

On motion of Mr. Appleton of Peabody, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (House, No. 517) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time,

passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 20.

Intoxicating
liquors,—com-
mon victuallers.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, the Resolve relating to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago (Senate, No. 213) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

World's Colum-
bian Exposition.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply (Senate, No. 184) ;

Orders of the
day.

To enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 526) ; and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 527) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield (House, No. 525) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (Senate, No. 193) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the Williamstown Water Company to take an additional water supply (House, No. 475) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield (House, No. 518) ; and

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged (House, No. 520) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 489) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections (Senate, No. 189) ; and

To authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor (Senate, No. 200) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 281) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Point of order.

Mr Charles of Boston raised a further point of order that the bill was not in order for the reason that the orders upon which it was reported did not specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates, in accordance with House Rule, No. 39. On this point of order the Speaker ruled that it was raised too late ; that it should have been raised at the time the orders were introduced and previous to their adoption, and therefore was not well taken.

The pending point of order raised by Mr. Charles, that the amendments were broader than the scope of the orders on which the bill was based, the Speaker declared was not well taken.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend the pending amendment in section 3, line 1, by inserting, after the word "furniture," the words "on which interest is charged at the rate of eighteen per centum or more."

The same gentleman also moved to amend the pending amendment in section 5, line 1, by striking out the words "neglects or;" also in the same line by inserting, after the word "refuses," the words "or neglects after request."

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend the pending amendment in section 3, line 2, by inserting, after the word "loan," the words "of less than one thousand dollars;" also in line 3, after the word "correctly," by inserting the words "or with substantial accuracy."

The same gentleman also moved to amend the pending amendment in section 4 by inserting, after the word "given," the words "to secure loans of less than one thousand dollars."

Mr. Coakley of Cambridge moved to amend the bill by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 7, as follows: "*Sect. 7.* Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the amendments to the pending amendment were severally adopted, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted, as follows:—

Insert the following new sections:—

"*Sect. 2.* When a loan of less than one thousand dollars is secured by a mortgage or pledge of personal property the creditor shall discharge such mortgage and restore such pledge upon payment or tender to him of the amount legally due under this act, and such payment or tender may be made by the debtor, or by any person having an interest in the property mortgaged or pledged.

"*Sect. 3.* No mortgage of household furniture on which interest is charged at the rate of eighteen per centum or more, made to secure a loan of less than one thousand dollars, shall be valid unless it state correctly or with substantial accuracy the amount of the loan, the time for which the loan is made, the rate of interest to be paid, and the actual expense of making and securing the loan, nor unless it contain a provision that the debtor shall be notified of the time and place of any sale to be made in foreclosure proceedings at least seven days before such sale.

"*Sect. 4.* No notice of intention to foreclose, given to secure loans of less than one thousand dollars under sections 7 and 10 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes, shall be valid unless it expressly state where such notice

is to be recorded, and that the right of redemption will be foreclosed sixty days after such recording.

"Sect. 5. Whoever refuses or neglects after request to discharge a mortgage, or to restore the property held as a pledge, as provided in section 2 of this act, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and also be liable in an action of tort to the borrower for all damages resulting to him for any violation of said section 2.

"Sect. 6. This act shall not be construed to apply to licensed pawnbrokers, nor to repeal or affect section 34 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, or section 6 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes.

"Sect. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

The amendment moved by Mr. Coakley of Cambridge was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344) was considered. After debate, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, was negatived by a vote of 2 to 77, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association (Senate, No. 118) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend in section 3, line 2, by striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the word "one." The question was first put on allowing the word "three" to remain in the bill, which was rejected, and the amendment was adopted.

The same gentleman also moved to amend in section 4, line 4, by striking out the word "two" and inserting in place thereof the word "four."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 424) was further considered. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke.

On the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency?" the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called, the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 52 yeas to 120 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Dennis, William D.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Loud, John C.

Messrs. Lougee, Joseph L.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Soule, George L.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Taft, Henry G.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Baker, William G.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.

Messrs. Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.

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Messrs. Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hoyt, Warren
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.

Messrs. Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Preshe, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 52; Nays, 120.

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 1892.

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PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry*

Messrs. McEvoy, John W.

Gillett, Frederick H.*

Bourne, Franklin C.

Parkhurst, Wellington E.

Hobson, Charles H.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at twenty-nine minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor,—
report of the
Rapid Transit
Commission.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a supplementary report of the Rapid Transit Commission. The message was read, and with the accompanying report, was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition Presented.

Town of
Tisbury,—town
meeting.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, of the town of Tisbury for legislation to enable the inhabitants of said town to hold an additional town meeting, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate:

Elections,—
vacant spaces
on ballots.

On an order relative to amending the law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon ballots except those used for marking purposes; and

Elections,—
compensation of
election officers.

On an order relative to fixing the compensation of election officers and tellers at elections;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Chelsea Bridge,
— grade
crossings.

A Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge (Senate, No. 218) (reported on a petition); and a

Sailors and
marines.

Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States Navy during the war of

the rebellion, and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment (Senate, No. 215) (reported, in part, on the report of the Adjutant-General);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants (House, No. 460) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Blanchard of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Baby farming.

A Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn (reported on a petition) came down referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, in which reference the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn.

The House bills:

Relative to the compensation of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire (House, No. 352);

Compensation of the special justices of district court of Northern Berkshire.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district (House, No. 307); and

Salary of the clerk of Roxbury municipal court.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (House, No. 308);

Salary of the clerk of district court of East Norfolk.

Severally came down referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth. The House concurred in the reference, and the bills were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A petition of Gilbert L. Streeter and others for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the preservation of the Province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Province lands on Cape Cod.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on State House, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to appropriating a certain sum of

Executive mansion.

money wherewith to buy or build a residence adjoining the State House to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an executive mansion. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Motions to Reconsider.

Connecticut
River Railroad
Company.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, failed to pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor, the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (House, No. 424). After debate the motion was lost.

City of Boston,
— Jamaica and
Ward's ponds.

Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (House, No. 517), in reference to which Rule 15 of the House was suspended. After debate, the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 78 to 71.

On motion of Mr. Clark, a committee was appointed to wait upon the Senate and request the return of the bill, and Messrs. Clark, Charles and Bliss were appointed the committee. Mr. Clark, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty. Subsequently a message was received from the Senate, returning the bill, which was, pending the recurring question on passing it to be engrossed, postponed for further consideration until Friday.

Discharged from the Orders.

Cape Cod
Maritime Canal
Company.

On motions of Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 24, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon the railroad lines in this Commonwealth (House, No. 379) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the

question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, and to define its powers and duties (Senate, No. 117), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners.

Bills enacted and Resolves passed.

Engrossed bills :

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill (which originated in the House) ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to the identification of criminals ;

To authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings ;

Concerning the city registrar of the city of Boston ; and

To confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To provide additional cell room at the Massachusetts Reformatory (which originated in the House) ;

Resolves
passed.

In relation to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago ; and

Providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (House, No. 526) ; and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 527) ; and the

Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in West-field (House, No. 525) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 530) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment (House, No. 531), pending which, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the southern district (Senate, No. 124) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor on premises within a certain distance of a school-house, so that the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms, was further considered.

Mr. Sullivan of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend an act prohibiting the granting

of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on the premises within a certain distance of public schools" (House, No. 514).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 51 to 95, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437) was further considered.

Mr. Galloupe of Beverly moved to amend in section 1, lines 14 and 36, respectively, by striking out the words "in no event," and inserting in place thereof the words "in such cases where materials are thus furnished in connection with labor;" also in lines 15 and 37, respectively, by inserting after the word "pay," the word "no."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in relation to the State Printing (House, No. 479) was further considered.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend in lines 1, 2, 3 and 4 by striking out the words "chairman of the committee on Printing on the part of the Senate, the chairman of the said committee on the part of the House of Representatives," and inserting in place thereof the words "Lieutenant-Governor, the Attorney-General;" also in line 10 by striking out the words "three or five," and inserting in place thereof the word "two."

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend in line 10 by striking out the words "or five."

Pending the amendments, and pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, Mr. Chance moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, pending which motion, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick, at nineteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

City of Fall
River, — high-
ways, paving,
sewers and
school-houses.

A petition, presented by Mr. Luby of Fall River, of the mayor of Fall River that said city may be authorized to borrow \$150,000 for highways, paving, sewers and school-houses, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Connolly of Fall River, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Stoughton, —
water bonds.

A petition, presented by Mr. Capen of Stoughton, of the selectmen of Stoughton that said town may be authorized to issue \$150,000 forty-year bonds for paying expenses incident to the purchase of the property and rights of the Stoughton Water Company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Capen, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad, — ter-
minal station in
Boston.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, of N. F. Howard and 154 others of Foxborough against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square, was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending Rule 17 so that the Speaker have power to order the doors of the House opened. House Rule No. 17.

Papers from the Senate.

Resolutions relating to the immigration of paupers, criminals and dependent persons (Senate, No. 220), adopted by the Senate, were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Immigration of paupers, criminals and dependent persons.

The House Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal (House, No. 503) came down adopted, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: inserting in line 7, after the word "our," the words "Senators and," and by striking out, in line 8, the words "and instruct our Senators." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments. Anthracite coal.

A petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Whitman that said town may be authorized to locate its power station for electric lighting in the town of East Bridgewater, provided property can be purchased for that purpose in said town, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Town of Whitman, — electric lighting station.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the Bill (recommitted) to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by grocers (House, No. 318) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to prevent the sale of malt and spirituous liquors by grocers." (House, No. 533.) Intoxicating liquors, — sale of, by grocers.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water. (House, No. 532.) Town of Webster, — water supply.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for the better Practice of pharmacy.

enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (Senate, No. 181) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Columbia
Trust Company.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (House, No. 420) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Railroad fares.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary :

On Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance (taken from the files of last year) ; and

On the report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations (House, No. 405) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the compensation of election officers and tellers at elections, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year (Senate, No. 140) ; and

To authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply (Senate, No. 206) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Everett (House, No. 498) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony (House, No. 442) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply (Senate, No. 184); and

Relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (Senate, No. 193);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relating to peddling by minors (Senate, No. 192) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 2, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Resolve in relation to the State printing (House, No. 479), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the pending motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, to postpone for further consideration until Thursday next, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

After further debate the pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Chance of Boston and Parker of Boston, were severally rejected, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 393) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton.

On the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, and the roll being called, the resolve was refused a third reading by a vote of 93 yeas to 100 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fallon, James O.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 French, Russell M.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Kelihier, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Low, Emery M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Horton, Everett S.
Andrews, Miles S.	Howard, S. Edward
Appleton, Francis H.	Howe, S. Augustus
Austin, J. Lewis	Hoyt, Warren
Bachelor, Charles M.	Hyde, William S.
Ball, George S.	Jackson, Charles T.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Jennings, Henry J.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Jennison, Henry J.
Barstow, Thomas	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Bates, Jacob P.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Lane, Howard G.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Lawrence, Amos A.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Lawrence, William B.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Brigham, William H.	Loud, John C.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Brown, Samuel J.	Luther, William
Burbank, Roland E.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Burnham, Lewis	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Capen, Robert P.	Newell, Richard
Chester, Dwight	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Nickerson, Osborn
Clough, George S.	Norton, John H.
Crane, George A.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Crosby, James P.	Nye, Charles H.
Crosman, Charles	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Crowell, Elkanah	Perkins, Augustus G.
Cutler, George E.	Potter, Samuel A.
Cutler, George P.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Dennis, William D.	Proctor, George O.
Durant, William B.	Read, Franklin F.
Fairbanks, Edward	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Fall, George	Richmond, Silas P.
Francis, Frank W.	Roe, Alfred S.
Friend, George H.	Ross, Samuel
Gardner, Arthur H.	Rugg, George H.
Garfield, George H.	Sawyer, Ira O.
George, Edwin H.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Gillett, Frederick H.	Shute, Charles F.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Simonds, George R.
Harding, N. Frank	Smith, James B.
Heald, Joseph B.	Smith, Sumner
Hemenway, William H.	Stickney, Clarence
Holmes, Charles H.	St. John, Thomas E.

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Messrs. Sweet, Andrew H.	Messrs. Whitcomb, N. Emery
Taft, Henry G.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Wellman, Arthur H.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 93 ; Nays, 100.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. McEvoy, John W.	Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry *
Meyer, George v. L.*	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Rivers, George R. R.*	Rockwell, Henry F.
Presho, Edward W.*	Tucker, George F.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Danforth, John M.*
Healy, Lemuel	Hooker, Charles H.*

* Present.

The Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388) was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 89 to 4.

The motion of Mr. Low of Brockton, to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday, April 29, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for the purification and disposal of its sewage in the towns of Easton and West Bridgewater (House, No. 407), was adopted. Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Low moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater " (House, No. 523), which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was considered. Mr. Hoar of Boston moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until Tuesday, May 24, which motion was lost by a vote of 37 to 45, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was, on motion of Mr. Lawrence of Medford, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending a point of order raised by Mr. Lawrence, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the superior court (House, No. 529) was further considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance, by a vote of 83 to 18.

The Bill to prevent attorneys and counsellors-at-law and their agents from soliciting employment in cases of personal injury (House, No. 254) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend in line 3 by inserting, after the word "damages," the words "for bodily injury;" also, in line 20 by inserting, after the word "office," the words "and at an interview solicited by the attorney-at-law."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the amendments were severally adopted, and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 52 to 98.

The Bill amendatory of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties (House, No. 408), was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend by striking out section 2, to wit: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to controlling the motive power in rooms in manufacturing or mechanical establishments

where machinery is propelled by steam, electricity or water power (House, No. 218) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to make a report in writing and under oath of all accidents occurring in connection with the operation of street railways, was considered. Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until Tuesday, May 24, which motion, after debate, was lost, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell (House, No. 369) was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of an amendment, striking out, in lines 13, 14, 15 and 16, the words "county of Middlesex, covering an area not to exceed ten acres, and to an amount of ten thousand dollars, with the right to increase to," and inserting in place thereof the words "not exceeding ten acres and in value."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wolf of Boston, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments (Senate, No. 190) (reported on the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to a general form of municipal charter), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. City governments.

A Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals (Senate, No. 219), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Immigration of paupers and criminals.

The House Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth (House, No. 415) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: In section 1, line 4, inserting, after the word "engineer," the words "whose terms of office shall expire on the first Wednesday of February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three;" also by adding at the end of section 3 the words "provided the whole amount expended under the provisions of this act shall not exceed ten thousand dollars." Highway commission.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

A petition of a committee of the town of North Attleborough that said town may be authorized to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough.

town was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Town of Tisbury, — town meeting.

The House petition of the town of Tisbury for legislation to enable the inhabitants of said town to hold an additional town meeting came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner.

By Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Employment of children.

By Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton, from the committee on Education, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments (Senate, No. 147) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill in relation to the employment of children." (House, No. 535.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Recovery of costs from insolvent estates.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill in relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates (Senate, No. 123) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Constitutional amendment, — property qualification for the office of Governor.

By Mr. Hevey of Woburn, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor.

State House extension.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on State House, on a petition, a Bill to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motions to Reconsider.

Carney Hospital.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital

(House, No. 393). After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 95 yeas to 103 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Atwood, Edward B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Connolly, Francis
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Dacey, Charles M.
Delaney, Patrick
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Driscoll, John A.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Easland, John N.
Fallon, James O.
Ferren, Myron J.
French, Russell M.
Galloupe, George A.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Golding, John
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Halley, Dennis E.

Messrs. Hart, William H.
Healy, Lemuel
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hoar, John J.
Hobson, Charles H.
Jenkins, Robert B.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Lawrence, William B.
Low, Emery M.
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCall, Samuel W.
McCarthy, Daniel
McEvoy, John W.
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
McSolla, Richard F.
Melaven, James F.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Meyer, George v. L.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Morse, Stillman F.
Nutting, Arthur F.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John J.
Parker, James O.
Presho, Edward W.
Quinn, Thomas A.
Quinn, Timothy F.
Richardson, Arthur C.
Rideout, Malcolm E.
Rivers, George R. R.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Ruggles, Henry E.
Savage, Patrick J.

Messrs. Smith, Sylvanus
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Sundberg, John F.
Toomey, Daniel P.

Messrs. Turner, Edward E.
Warren, Bentley W.
Winslow, George S.
Wolf, Bernard M.
Woodward, Amos P.

NATS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Adams, John W.
Allen, James E.
Andrews, Miles S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Austin, J. Lewis
Bacheller, Charles M.
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bates, Jacob P.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Brigham, William H.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Brown, Samuel J.
Burnham, Lewis
Chester, Dwight
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clark, Louis M.
Clough, George S.
Crane, George A.
Crosby, James P.
Crowell, Elkanah
Cutler, George E.
Cutler, George P.
Danforth, John M.
Dennis, William D.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fall, George
Fiske, Granville C.
Fletcher, J. Henry
Francis, Frank W.
Friend, George H.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Garfield, George H.

Messrs. George, Edwin H.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Heald, Joseph B.
Hemenway, William H.
Holmes, Charles H.
Hooker, Charles H.
Horton, Everett S.
Howard, S. Edward
Howe, S. Augustus
Hoyt, Warren
Hyde, William S.
Jackson, Charles T.
Jennings, Henry J.
Jennison, Henry J.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Jordan, Edgar E.
Kilduff, Richard G.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Leonard, Mahlon R.
Loud, John C.
Lougee, Joseph L.
Luther, William
Lyford, Edwin F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Newell, Richard
Nichols, DeWitt C.
Nickerson, Osborn
Norton, John H.
Nourse, Andrew L.
Nye, Charles H.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Perkins, Augustus G.
Perkins, George W.
Potter, Samuel A.
Powers, Wilbur H.
Proctor, George O.
Read, Franklin F.

Messrs. Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Messrs. Stickney, Clarence
Richmond, Silas P.	St. John, Thomas E.
Rockwell, Henry F.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Roe, Alfred S.	Taft, Henry G.
Ross, Samuel	Tucker, George F.
Rugg, George H.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sawyer, Ira O.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Sawyer, Samuel L.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Shute, Charles F.	Wood, Frank C.
Simonds, George R.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Soule, George L.	

Yeas, 95 ; Nays, 103.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Kelly, Charles A.	Messrs. Smith, James B.*
Hinds, John F.*	Crosman, Charles
Ashley, Henry W.	Appleton, Francis H.*
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Gillett, Frederick H.*

* Present.

Mr. Mooney of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to make a report in writing and under oath of all accidents occurring in connection with the operation of street railways. After debate the motion to reconsider was lost.

Street railway companies, — reports of accidents.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Worcester, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill (recommitted) to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Volunteer militia.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the Bill to repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water" (House, No. 96), was taken from the table, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Methuen, — water supply.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

Mr. Blanchard of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164). The motion was lost.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Lawrence of Medford, at twenty minutes before one o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of Woburn,
—superintendent of public
buildings.

On motion of Mr. Presbo of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of buildings (Senate, No. 157) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 24.

Taxation of
personal prop-
erty,—double
taxation.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25.

Assessors of
taxes,—lists of
personal prop-
erty for taxa-
tion.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25.

Executive
mansion.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, the report of the committee on State House, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build a residence

adjoining the State House to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an executive mansion, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 23.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water (House, No. 532) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Town of Webster, — water supply.

On motion of Mr. Low of Brockton, the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater (House, No. 528) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 23, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

City of Brockton, — sewerage.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company ;

To provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections ;

To authorize the town of Wenham to refund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor ; and

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the southern district ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon ballots except those used for marking purposes, was accepted, in concurrence.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 357) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, at the request of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, and the roll being called, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 65 yeas to 112 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Harris, Charles E.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Hobson, Charles H.
Ball, George S.	Hooker, Charles H.
Barrett, Richard F.	Horton, Everett S.
Bates, Jacob P.	Howard, S. Edward
Battles, David W.	Hyde, William S.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Blodgett, Percival	Larkin, Erastus D.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Low, Emery M.
Brewer, Edward S.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Brigham, William H.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Brock, Lemuel M.	McEvoy, John W.
Burke, James F.	McLean, Isaac
Clark, Louis M.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Clayton, Horace E.	Morse, Stillman F.
Crane, George A.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Crowell, Elkanah	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Cutler, George P.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Driscoll, John A.	Presho, Edward W.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Richardson, Albert W.
Easland, John N.	Richmond, Silas P.
Fairbanks, Edward	Rivers, George R. R.
Fiske, Granville C.	Ross, Samuel
Garfield, George H.	Stickney, Clarence
Gillett, Frederick H.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Golding, John	Sweet, Andrew H.
Graham, John R.	Warren, Bentley W.
Gray, Joshua S.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Hale, Charles H.	Winslow, George S.
Hall, Henry C.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George E.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Durant, William B.
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Green, George H. B.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank

Messrs. Hart, William H.

Healy, Lemuel
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Howard, George C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hoyt, Warren
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Newell, Richard
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, James O.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Ira O.

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Messrs. Sawyer, Samuel L.	Messrs. Sundberg, John F.
Shute, Charles F.	Taft, Henry G.
Simonds, George R.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Smith, James B.	Tucker, George F.
Smith, Sumner	Turner, Edward E.
Smith, Sylvanus	Wellman, Arthur H.
Soule, George L.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Wolf, Bernard M.
St. John, Thomas E.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 65 ; Nays, 112.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. O'Neil, Eugene J.	Messrs. Buckley, William P.*
Gallup, William W.	Read, Franklin F.*
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Bardwell, Henry D.*
Jenks, George W.	Nye, Charles H.*
Mellen, James H.*	Lakin, James A.
Proctor, George O.	George, Edwin H.*
Buck, Anson	Jennison, Henry J.*
Oakes, William H.	Jackson, Charles T.*
Heffernin, Patrick J.*	Heffernan, Edward J.
Bennett, Frank P.*	Giles, Joseph J.

* Present.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, was further considered.

Mr. Roe of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill in relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes " (House, No. 523).

After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 77 to 23, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon the railroad lines in this Commonwealth (House, No. 379) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend in line 3 of section 1, by inserting, after the word "sale," the words "for twenty dollars." After debate, pending the amendment, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending a point of order raised by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell (House, No. 369) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was adopted.

Mr. Hobson of Lowell moved to amend in section 2, line 4, by inserting, after the word "until," the words "at least ten thousand dollars of the," which amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the voters of a town to the incorporation of a new town from any part of its territory (House, No. 440) was read a third time and considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the yeas and nays were taken on the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, and the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 56 yeas to 121 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Bacheller, Charles M.	Messrs. Brown, Samuel J.
Barstow, Thomas	Carroll, Michael
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Carter, James H.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Chester, Dwight
Batcheller, Henry C.	Clayton, Horace E.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Daley, Edward L.

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Messrs. Danforth, John M.

Durant, William B.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 French, Russell M.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Healy, Lemuel
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Parker, James O.

Messrs. Pratt, Amasa

Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Stickney, Clarence
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tucker, George F.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Buck, Anson

Messrs. Buckley, William P.

Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George E.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.

Messrs. Fiske, Granville C.	Messrs. Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Francis, Frank W.	McAnally, Frank
Garfield, George H.	McCall, Samuel W.
Gilbride, Michael B.	McCarthy, Daniel
Gillett, Frederick H.	McLean, Isaac
Golding, John	McSolla, Richard F.
Graham, John R.	Melaven, James F.
Hall, Henry C.	Mellen, James H.
Harris, Charles E.	Mooney, William L.
Hart, William H.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heald, Joseph B.	Morse, Stillman F.
Hemenway, William H.	Nickerson, Osborn
Hinds, John F.	Nye, Charles H.
Hoar, John J.	Olmstead, James M.
Hobson, Charles H.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Holmes, Charles H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hooker, Charles H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Horton, Everett S.	Potter, Samuel A.
Howard, S. Edward	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Presho, Edward W.
Hoyt, Warren	Proctor, George O.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Read, Franklin F.
Jennings, Henry J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Jennison, Henry J.	Richmond, Silas P.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Rivers, George R. R.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Ross, Samuel
Keliher, Thomas J.	Rugg, George H.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Shute, Charles F.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Soule, George L.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Loud, John C.	Sundberg, John F.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Low, Emery M.	Turner, Edward E.
Luther, William	Wellman, Arthur H.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Lynch, John B.	

Yeas, 56 ; Nays, 121.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Ferren, Myron J.*	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Simonds, George R.	Gray, Joshua S.*
Galloupe, George A.*	Sullivan, Michael F.
Howard, George C.*	Rosnosky, Isaac

* Present.

The Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries was, on motion of Mr. Roe of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court (House, No. 428) was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Mooney of Boston, the resolve was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 78 to 66.

The Bill relating to naturalization in the inferior courts (House, No. 443) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water (House, No. 445) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed at the end of the calendar.

The Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (House, No. 467), was read a second time and considered, and after debate was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies (Senate, No. 158) was read a third time and considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by" and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax afterwards refunds any portion of the

property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee," was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge.

The Bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Senate, No. 144) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex (Senate, No. 174) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Tuesday next, which motion was lost.

Mr. Danforth moved to amend in section 1, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the word "forty-two" and inserting in place thereof the word "forty-five."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Wolf of Boston, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 63 to 50, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 82 to 30, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

At thirteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Message from
the Governor, —
transportation
of Vermont
prisoners
through the
Commonwealth.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Governor of Vermont, requesting legislation to authorize the transportation of Vermont prisoners through this Commonwealth, together with an opinion of the Attorney-General in relation to the subject. The message was read, and, with the accompanying documents, was, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule : —

State Board of
Health, —
laboratory.

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of authorizing the Sergeant-at-Arms to lease a room at 944 Washington Street, Boston, as a laboratory for the use of the State Board of Health.

City of Salem, —
streets.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William E. Meade that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Terms of office
of mayors.

A Bill relating to the terms of office of mayors of cities (Senate, No. 232) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company (House, No. 341) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit: striking out, in section 1, line 1, "Edward V. Mitchell," and inserting in place thereof "Edwin V. Mitchell," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Medfield Water Company.

A remonstrance of Harland G. Bacon and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Boston and Providence Railroad Company,—terminal station in Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Tisbury to hold a second annual meeting for the present year (House, No. 537). Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of Tisbury,—annual meeting.

By Mr. Hart of Lawrence, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the existing laws so that the town clerks will cease to be members of boards of registrars of voters, but continue to be clerks of such boards.

Town clerks as boards of registrars of voters.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Rules, who were instructed to consider the expediency of amending Rule 17 of the House rules by striking out the last sentence thereof, reported that it was inexpedient to amend the rule as specified. (Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Bennett of Everett dissenting.)

House Rule 17.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Garfield of Brockton, from the committee on Pay-Roll, who were instructed to consider the expediency of modifying the mileage of the members of the House of Representatives, reported recommending the adoption of the following order:—

Schedule of mileage of members of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the number of miles travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth for which mileage and compensation for travel shall be allowed and paid the members of the House of Representatives for the present session, and until a new schedule shall be established, shall be as hereinafter set forth: (For schedule see House, No. 540). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its adoption.

Ballot law
commission.

By Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings on questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners (Senate, No. 203) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the ballot law commission."

Great Barrington
fire district.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to authorize the Great Barrington fire district to take or purchase the franchise and property of the Great Barrington Water Company (House, No. 538).

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Grade crossings
on Chelsea
bridge.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge (Senate, No. 218) ought to pass.

Officers, sailors
and marines.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of enlistment (Senate, No. 215) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motions to Reconsider.

East Long-
meadow.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 357). The same gentleman further moved that the motion to reconsider be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 24, which motion

was lost. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Warren of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 78 yeas to 105 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Ball, George S.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Blodgett, Percival
Bourne, Franklin C.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brigham, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Buck, Anson
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Chance, Charles J.
Clough, George S.
Crane, George A.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Dyar, Perlie A.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fay, James M.
Fiske, Granville C.
Garfield, George H.
Gillett, Frederick H.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Hale, Charles H.
Harris, Charles E.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Hoar, John J.
Hobson, Charles H.
Hooker, Charles H.

Messrs. Howard, S. Edward
Hyde, William S.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Low, Emery M.
Lyford, Edwin F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McEvoy, John W.
McLean, Isaac
Mellen, James H.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Morse, Stillman F.
Oakes, William H.
Olmstead, James M.
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Parker, James O.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Perkins, Augustus G.
Pratt, Amasa
Presho, Edward W.
Proctor, George O.
Richmond, Silas P.
Rivers, George R. R.
Rosnosky, Isaac
Ross, Samuel
Rugg, George H.
Sargent, J. Bradford
Savage, Patrick J.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Warren, Bentley W.
Wellman, Arthur H.
Winslow, George S.
Wolf, Bernard M.
Woodward, Amos P.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Allen, James E.
Anderson, Stephen

Messrs. Andrews, Miles S.
Appleton, Francis H.
Austin, J. Lewis

Messrs.	Bacheller, Charles M.	Messrs.	Jenkins, Robert B.
	Baker, William G.		Jennings, Henry J.
	Barney, Benjamin B.		Jordan, Edgar E.
	Barstow, Thomas		Lawrence, Amos A.
	Bartlett, Lewis H.		Lawrence, William B.
	Bartlett, Robert G.		Leonard, Mahlon R.
	Batcheller, Henry C.		Lincoln, Stephen R.
	Bessom, Eugene A.		Lougee, Joseph L.
	Brown, Samuel J.		Lowe, William W.
	Bryant, Charles H.		Luby, Patrick B.
	Buckley, William P.		Luther, William
	Capen, Robert P.		Lynch, John B.
	Carroll, Michael		McCall, Samuel W.
	Carter, James H.		McCarthy, Daniel
	Charles, Salem D.		McLoughlin, John T.
	Coburn, Clarence G.		McSolla, Richard F.
	Connolly, Francis		Merritt, Marcus M.
	Crosman, Charles		Meyer, George v. L.
	Crowell, Elkanah		Newell, Richard
	Crowley, Jeremiah J.		Nichols, DeWitt C.
	Cutler, George E.		Nickerson, Osborn
	Cutler, George P.		Norton, John H.
	Daley, Edward L.		Nourse, Andrew L.
	Danforth, John M.		Nye, Charles H.
	Delaney, Patrick		O'Brien, John J.
	Dennis, William D.		Potter, Samuel A.
	Dodge, Edgar S.		Powers, Wilbur H.
	Dolan, William J.		Quinn, Thomas A.
	Durant, William B.		Quinn, Timothy F.
	Fall, George		Read, Franklin F.
	Fallon, James O.		Richmond, Jeremiah T.
	Fletcher, J. Henry		Rockwell, Henry F.
	Francis, Frank W.		Roe, Alfred S.
	French, Russell M.		Ruggles, Henry E.
	Friend, George H.		Sawyer, Ira O.
	Galloupe, George A.		Shute, Charles F.
	George, Edwin H.		Simonds, George R.
	Green, George H. B.		Smith, James B.
	Hall, Henry C.		Smith, Sumner
	Halley, Dennis E.		Smith, Sylvanus
	Heald, Joseph B.		Soule, George L.
	Healy, Lemuel		Sparhawk, Henry C.
	Hemenway, William H.		St. John, Thomas E.
	Hinds, John F.		Sundberg, John F.
	Holmes, Charles H.		Taft, Henry G.
	Horton, Everett S.		Tucker, George F.
	Howard, George C.		Turner, Edward E.
	Howe, S. Augustus		Whitcomb, N. Emery
	Hoyt, Warren		Wood, Frank C.
	Jackson, Charles T.		

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

Mr. Ferren, Myron J.*

NAY.

Mr. Clough, George S.

* Present.

Mr. McAnally of Lawrence moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex (Senate, No. 174). After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. McAnally, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 47 yeas to 124 nays, as follows : —

Salary of the
county commis-
sioners of Essex
County.

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Chance, Charles J.
Clark, Edward P.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Driscoll, John A.
Francis, Frank W.
Hart, William H.
Heffernan, Edward J.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.

Messrs. Loud, John C.

Mahoney, Cornelius E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McEvoy, John W.
McLoughlin, John T.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Mooney, William L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Nichols, DeWitt C.
O'Brien, John J.
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Quinn, Thomas A.
Quinn, Timothy F.
Read, Franklin F.
Ross, Samuel
Savage, Patrick J.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Sundberg, John F.
Turner, Edward E.
Warren, Bentley W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Allen, James E.
Appleton, Francis H.
Atwood, Edward B.

Messrs. Atwood, E. Elbridge

Austin, J. Lewis
Bacheller, Charles M.
Baker, William G.

Messrs. Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.
 Croaman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fall, George
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harris, Charles E.

Messrs. Healy, Lemuel
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Hoyt, Warren
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Longee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McLean, Isaac
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presbo, Edward W.
 Proctor, George O.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Sargent, J. Bradford

Messrs. Sawyer, Ira O.	Messrs. St. John, Thomas E.
Shute, Charles F.	Taft, Henry G.
Simonds, George R.	Tucker, George F.
Smith, James B.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Smith, Sumner	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Smith, Sylvanus	Winslow, George S.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Wood, Frank C.
Stickney, Clarence	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 47; Nays, 124.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced: —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*	Messrs. Garfield, George H.
Golding, John	Richardson, Albert W.*
Nutting, Arthur F.	Horton, Everett S.*
Dolan, William J.*	Rugg, George H.
Luby, Patrick B.*	Blodgett, Percival
Lynch, John B.	Wolf, Bernard M.*
Charles, Salem D.	Ruggles, Henry E.*
Melaven, James F.*	Rideout, Malcolm E.

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, the Bill to authorize municipal authorities to regulate the maintenance and use of poles and wires within the limits of highways (House, No. 499) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Bates moved to amend in section 1, line 2, by inserting after the word "city," the words "or the board of selectmen of any town;" also in section 1, line 7, in section 3, line 4, and in section 3, line 19, respectively, by inserting, after the word "city," the words "or town."

The amendments were severally adopted, and pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26.

Maintenance
and use of poles
and electric
wires.

Liens on buildings and land.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 23.

City of Everett.

On motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, the Bill to incorporate the city of Everett (House, No. 498) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. The same gentleman moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May-24, which motion was lost, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Lexington Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply (Senate, No. 206) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 24.

Town elections, — counting of ballots before close of polls.

On motions of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes, during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 23.

Telephone companies, — character and price of service.

On motions of Mr. Hoar of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Com-

monwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the Bill to prevent the sale of malt and spirituous liquors by grocers (House, No. 533) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and was refused a third reading.

Intoxicating
liquors, sale
of, by grocers.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the town of Tisbury to hold a second annual meeting for the present year (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Recess Taken.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, at twenty-five minutes before one o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock.

Recess.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to the employment of children (House, No. 535) ; and

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes (House, No. 523) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River under the pro-

visions of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An Act authorizing the city of Fall River to take land for the better protection of its water supply" (House, No. 504), was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond (House, No. 487) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal (House, No. 503), and the resolution was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting, after the word "manufacturing," the word "mercantile," which amendment was rejected.

Mr. Pratt of Lowell moved to amend by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect when the hours of labor are limited by statutory enactment to fifty-eight hours per week in manufacturing and mechanical establishments in each of the following States: Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Connecticut," which amendment was rejected.

Mr. Hobson of Lowell moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word "fifty-eight" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty-four." The question was first put upon allowing the word "fifty-eight" to remain in the bill, which was adopted.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Clough of Worcester, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 20, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted until Wednesday, May 25, to report upon matters before them.

Committee on
Cities.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

To provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 222) ; and

City of Cam-
bridge, — water
supply.

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 223) ;

City of Lynn, —
water loan.

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain public parks (House, No. 516) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit : inserting a new section, as follows : “ *Sect. 9.* If the city of Cambridge shall accept the provisions of chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and acts in amendment thereof, then all lands and real estate which may be taken by virtue of this act shall be under the care and management of the board of park commissioners of said city, authorized to be appointed by virtue of said act.”

City of Cam-
bridge, — public
parks.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company (House, No. 340) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit : strik-

Medway Water
Company.

ing out, in section 1, line 1, "E. C. Wilson," and inserting in place thereof "E. Cutler Wilson," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Elections, —
marking of
ballots.

By Mr. Kohlrausch of Billerica, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots instead of the cross as now required.

Elections, —
appointment of
election officers,
— counting of
ballots.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the method of appointing and paying election officers, or to provide for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point.

Elections, —
counting of
votes.

By Mr. Hart of Lawrence, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 so as to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections.

Elections, —
canvass of votes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 by striking out the word "city" wherever it occurs; also of providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness; also of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890 by providing that the ballot boxes may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open.

Elections, —
stamps for
marking ballots.

By Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the State to furnish and voters to use in marking their ballots some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch.

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted by officers other than those who receive the same at the various polling places.

Town elections,
— election
officers.

By Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that fewer election officers may be required at

the polling places in small towns divided into polling precincts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Elections, — uniform system of counting and canvassing votes. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and of such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, from the same committee, Elections, — election officers. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890 by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Elections, — fraudulent marking of ballots. Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections. (House, No. 544.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston, and a petition relative to the same subject, was taken from the table, and postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25. Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

On motions of Mr. Jackson of Swampscott, the report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott and others similarly situated from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 31. Town of Swampscott, — Boston garbage.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Weaving.**

On motion of Mr. Delaney of Fall River, the Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged in weaving (House, No. 510) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25.

Trout.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the Bill to permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year (Senate, No. 140) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Gilbride of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 27, which motion was lost by a vote of 41 to 69, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 86 to 30.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25.

Hours of labor of minors and women.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, the Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 25.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :****Orders of the day.**

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates (Senate, No. 123) ;

To amend an act to authorize the Great Barrington Fire District to take or purchase the franchise and property of the Great Barrington Water Company (House, No. 538),

To amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890 relating to the ballot law commission (House, No. 539); and

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge (Senate, No. 218); and the

Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the War of the Rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of enlistment (House, No. 215);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the employment of children (House, No. 535) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The following order was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Pay Roll:—

Ordered, That the number of miles' travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth for which mileage and compensation for travel shall be allowed and paid the members of the House of Representatives for the present session, and until a new schedule shall be established, shall be as hereinafter set forth, viz.:—

Abington, 20; Acton, 25; Acushnet, 55; Adams, 165; Agawam, 100; Alford, 180; Amesbury, 45; Amherst, 100; Andover, 25; Arlington, 5; Ashburnham, 65; Ashby, 50; Ashfield, 135; Ashland, 25; Athol, 80; Attleborough, 35; Auburn, 50; Avon, 20; Ayer, 35; Barnstable, 85; Barre, 65; Becket, 145; Bedford, 20; Belchertown, 95; Bellingham, 30; Belmont, 10; Berkley, 40; Berlin, 40; Bernardston, 115; Beverly, 20; Billerica, 20; Blackstone, 35; Blandford, 120; Bolton, 45; Boston, 5; Bourne, 65; Boxborough, 30; Boxford, 30; Boylston, 50; Bradford, 35; Braintree, 15; Brewster, 95; Bridgewater, 30; Brimfield, 85; Brockton, 25; Brookfield, 65; Brookline, 5; Buckland, 125; Burlington, 15; CAMBRIDGE, 5; Canton, 15; Carlisle, 20; Carver, 45; Charlemonst, 130; Charlton, 65; Chatham, 100; Chelmsford, 30; CHelsea, 5; Cheshire, 160; Chester, 130; Chesterfield, 135; CHICOPee, 105; Chilmark, 100; Clarksburg, 145; Clinton, 45; Cohasset, 25; Colrain, 125; Concord, 20; Conway, 120; Cottage City, 100; Cummington, 140; Dalton, 145; Dana, 80; Danvers,

20; Dartmouth, 70; Dedham, 10; Deerfield, 115; Dennis, 85; Dighton, 40; Douglas, 50; Dover, 15; Dracut, 35; Dudley, 60; Dunstable, 40; Duxbury, 40; East Bridgewater, 25; Eastham, 100; Easthampton, 135; Easton, 25; Edgartown, 100; Egremont, 180; Enfield, 100; Erving, 90; Essex, 30; Everett, 5; Fairhaven, 60; FALL RIVER, 55; Falmouth, 80; FITCHBURG, 50; Florida, 135; Foxborough, 25; Framingham, 25; Franklin, 30; Freetown, 55; Gardner, 65; Gay Head, 100; Georgetown, 30; Gill, 110; GLOUCESTER, 35; Goshen, 125; Gosnold, 100; Grafton, 40; Granby, 100; Granville, 120; Great Barrington, 175; Greenfield, 110; Greenwich, 90; Groton, 35; Groveland, 35; Hadley, 120; Halifax, 30; Hamilton, 25; Hampden, 110; Hancock, 165; Hanover, 25; Hanson, 25; Hardwick, 80; Harvard, 40; Harwich, 90; Hatfield, 120; HAVERHILL, 35; Hawley, 135; Heath, 135; Hingham, 20; Hinsdale, 145; Holbrook, 15; Holden, 50; Hoiland, 99; Holliston, 25; HOLYOKE, 110; Hopedale, 35; Hopkinton, 30; Hubbardston, 75; Hudson, 35; Hull, 25; Huntington, 120; Hyde Park, 10; Ipswich, 30; Kingston, 35; Lakeville, 40; Lancaster, 45; Lanesborough, 155; LAWRENCE, 30; Lee, 165; Leicester, 50; Lenox, 160; Leominster, 50; Leverett, 110; Lexington, 10; Leyden, 120; Lincoln, 20; Littleton, 30; Longmeadow, 105; LOWELL, 30; Ludlow, 105; Lunenburg, 50; LYNN, 15; Lynnfield, 15; MALDEN, 5; Manchester, 25; Mansfield, 30; Marblehead, 20; Marion, 50; MARLBOROUGH, 35; Marshfield, 35; Mashpee, 65; Mattapoisett, 55; Maynard, 25; Medfield, 20; Medford, 10; Medway, 30; Melrose, 10; Mendon, 40; Merrimac, 45; Methuen, 35; Middleborough, 35; Middlefield, 135; Middleton, 25; Milford, 35; Millbury, 45; Millis, 30; Milton, 140; Monroe, 140; Monson, 90; Montague, 110; Monterey, 175; Montgomery, 120; Mount Washington, 190; Nahant, 15; Nantucket, 120; Natick, 20; Needham, 15; New Ashford, 150; NEW BEDFORD, 55; New Braintree, 70; Newbury, 40; NEWBURYPORT, 40; New Marlborough, 180; New Salem, 95; NEWTON, 10; Norfolk, 30; North Adams, 145; NORTHAMPTON, 115; North Andover, 30; North Attleborough, 35; Northborough, 35; Northbridge, 50; North Brookfield, 70; Northfield, 100; North Reading, 20; Norton, 35; Norwell, 30; Norwood, 15; Oakham, 60; Orange, 90; Orleans, 100; Otis, 170; Oxford, 60; Palmer, 85; Paxton, 55; Peabody, 20; Pelham, 105; Pembroke, 30; Pepperell, 45; Peru, 150; Petersham, 75; Phillipston, 75; PITTSFIELD, 150; Plainfield, 140; Plymouth, 40; Plympton, 35; Prescott, 90; Princeton, 60; Provincetown, 125; QUINCY, 10; Randolph, 15; Raynham, 35; Reading, 15; Rehoboth, 40; Revere, 5; Richmond, 160; Rochester, 50; Rockland, 20; Rockport, 40; Rowe, 135; Rowley, 35; Royalston, 80; Russell, 120; Rutland, 60; SALEM, 20; Salisbury, 40; Sandisfield, 180; Sandwich, 65;

Saugus, 10; Savoy, 175; Scituate, 80; Seekonk, 40; Sharon, 20; Sheffield, 185; Shelburne, 125; Sherborn, 30; Shirley, 40; Shrewsbury, 60; Shutesbury, 115; Somerset, 45; SOMERVILLE, 5; Southampton, 120; Southborough, 30; Southbridge, 70; South Hadley, 115; Southwick, 115; Spencer, 65; SPRINGFIELD, 100; Sterling, 45; Stockbridge, 170; Stoneham, 10; Stoughton, 20; Stow, 30; Sturbridge, 70; Sudbury, 25; Sunderland, 110; Sutton, 55; Swampscott, 15; Swansey, 50; TAUNTON, 85; Templeton, 75; Tewksbury, 25; Tisbury, 100; Tolland, 128; Topsfield, 25; Townsend, 45; Truro, 120; Tyngsborough, 35; Tyringham, 165; Upton, 45; Uxbridge, 45; Wakefield, 10; Wales, 100; Walpole, 20; WALTHAM, 10; Ware, 80; Wareham, 50; Warren, 75; Warwick, 95; Washington, 145; Watertown, 10; Wayland, 20; Webster, 60; Wellesley, 15; Wellfleet, 110; Wendell, 95; Wenham, 25; Westborough, 35; West Boylston, 50; West Bridgewater, 25; West Brookfield, 70; Westfield, 110; Westford, 30; Westhampton, 120; Westminster, 55; West Newbury, 40; Weston, 15; Westport, 65; West Springfield, 100; West Stockbridge, 165; West Tisbury, 100; Weymouth, 15; Whately, 120; Whitman, 25; Wilbraham, 90; Williamsburg, 120; Williamstown, 145; Wilmington, 20; Winchendon, 65; Winchester, 10; Windsor, 155; Winthrop, 10; WOBURN, 10; WORCESTER, 45; Worthington, 130; Wrentham, 25; Yarmouth, 80.

The Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Woodsum of Braintree moved to amend in section 1, line 7, by striking out the word "guests" and inserting in place thereof the word "persons;" also by adding at the end of the same section the words "or lodging."

Mr. Warren of Boston raised the point of order that the amendments were beyond the scope of the petitions upon which the bill was based, inasmuch as the petitions asked that the sales of intoxicating liquor, to be drank on the premises where sold, be restricted to sales made to *bona fide* guests who have resorted to the place for food. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the amendments were ruled out. Point of order.

Mr. Woodsum further moved to amend in section 3 by striking out the words "on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-two," and inserting in place thereof the words "upon its passage."

Mr. Clark of Palmer moved to amend in section 3 by striking out the word "ninety-two," and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-three."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the amendment moved by Mr. Clark was rejected by a vote of 73 to 78. The amendment moved by Mr. Woodsum was adopted.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 103 yeas to 85 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs.	Gillett, Ransom W.
	Adams, John W.		Graham, John R.
	Andrews, Miles S.		Gray, Joshua S.
	Atwood, E. Elbridge		Green, George H. B.
	Baker, William G.		Hall, Henry C.
	Ball, George S.		Harris, Charles E.
	Bates, Jacob P.		Hemenway, William H.
	Battles, David W.		Holmes, Charles H.
	Bennett, Frank P.		Hooker, Charles H.
	Bicknell, Zechariah L.		Horton, Everett S.
	Blanchard, S. Stillman		Howard, George C.
	Bliss, Frederic W.		Howard, S. Edward
	Brigham, William H.		Howe, S. Augustus
	Brown, Samuel J.		Hoyt, Warren
	Carter, James H.		Hyde, William S.
	Chester, Dwight		Jackson, Charles T.
	Clark, Hiram E. W.		Jennings, Henry J.
	Clark, Louis M.		Jennison, Henry J.
	Clough, George S.		Jordan, Edgar E.
	Crane, George A.		Kilduff, Richard G.
	Crosby, James P.		Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
	Crosman, Charles		Larkin, Erastus D.
	Crowell, Elkanah		Lawrence, William B.
	Cutler, George P.		Leonard, Mahlon R.
	Danforth, John M.		Lincoln, Stephen R.
	Dennis, William D.		Loud, John C.
	Durant, William B.		Lougee, Joseph L.
	Dyar, Perlle A.		Low, Emery M.
	Fall, George		Luther, William
	Ferren, Myron J.		Lyford, Edwin F.
	Fiske, Granville C.		McCall, Samuel W.
	Fletcher, J. Henry		Meyer, George v. L.
	Galloupe, George A.		Morse, Stillman F.
	Gardner, Arthur H.		Nickerson, Osborn
	Garfield, George H.		Norton, John H.
	George, Edwin H.		Nourse, Andrew L.
	Giles, Joseph J.		Nye, Charles H.

Messrs. Olmstead, James M.	Messrs. Sawyer, Samuel L.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Shute, Charles F.
Perkins, Augustus G.	Simonds, George R.
Perkins, George W.	Smith, James B.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Smith, Sumner
Proctor, George O.	Soule, George L.
Read, Franklin F.	Stickney, Clarence
Richardson, Albert W.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Taft, Henry G.
Richmond, Silas P.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Rideout, Malcolm E.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Rockwell, Henry F.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Roe, Alfred S.	Winslow, George S.
Rugg, George H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Sargent, J. Bradford	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.	Messrs. Delaney, Patrick
Anderson, Stephen	Dodge, Edgar S.
Atwood, Edward B.	Dole, Eben S.
Bachelor, Charles M.	Driscoll, John A.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Fallon, James O.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Francis, Frank W.
Barrett, Richard F.	Gilbride, Michael B.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Golding, John
Bartlett, Robert G.	Halley, Dennis E.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Hart, William H.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Healy, Lemuel
Breen, Daniel F.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Hinds, John F.
Buckley, William P.	Hoar, John J.
Burke, James F.	Hobson, Charles H.
Burnham, Lewis	Keliher, Thomas J.
Cannon, William	Lawrence, Amos A.
Carroll, Michael	Lowe, William W.
Casey, Joseph J.	Lynch, John B.
Chance, Charles J.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Charles, Salem D.	McCarthy, Daniel
Clark, Edward P.	McEvoy, John W.
Clayton, Horace E.	McLean, Isaac
Coakley, Daniel H.	McLoughlin, John T.
Coburn, Clarence G.	McSolla, Richard F.
Connolly, Francis	Melaven, James F.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Mellen, James H.
Dacey, Charles M.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Daley, Edward L.	Mooney, William L.

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Messrs. Oakes, William H.	Messrs. Ross, Samuel
O'Brien, John J.	Savage, Patrick J.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Parker, James O.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Potter, Samuel A.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Pratt, Amasa	Sullivan, Michael F.
Presho, Edward W.	Sundberg, John F.
Quinn, Thomas A.	Turner, Edward E.
Quinn, Timothy F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Rivers, George R. R.	Wood, Frank C.
Rosnosky, Isaac	

Yeas, 103 ; Nays, 85.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Tucker, George F.	Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.*
St. John, Thomas E.	Moriarty, Eugene M.*
Harding, N. Frank	Luby, Patrick B.*
Barrows, Hiram W.*	Dolan, William J.
Blodgett, Albert G.*	Ashley, Henry W.
Cutler, George E.	French, Russell M.*
Blodgett, Percival*	Nutting, Arthur F.

* Present.

The Bill to establish a board of metropolitan park commissioners, and to define its powers and duties (Senate, No. 117), was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (House, No. 517) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston moved to amend in section 1, lines 2 and 10, respectively, by inserting, after the word "mayor," the words "and city council."

Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 4.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 19, adopted an order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same, was taken up, and pending its consideration, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Barney of New Bedford, at five minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Day of the State
election a legal
holiday.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday (Mr. McEttrick of the Senate, and Messrs. Rivers of Milton, Hart of Lawrence and Merritt of Chelsea, of the House, dissenting); and

Consolidation of
gas and electric
companies.

Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— pensions for
firemen.

The House Bill in relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston (House, No. 512) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: In section 1, striking out, in line 4, the words "when they," and inserting in place thereof the words "have power to;" also by inserting, in line 9, after the word "years," the words "and shall, in such case;" also by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* The said board of the said city may, by majority vote of the members thereof, with the approval of the mayor, pay to former members of the fire department of said city now on the pension rolls of said city pensions in accordance with the provisions of this act."

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Public parks.
Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, authorizing towns and cities to lay out public parks within their limits, so as to provide that the mayor and city council of cities may have the power to grant the use of the parks to such persons and for such purposes as the mayor and city council may deem expedient. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Lyford of Springfield, from the committee on Incorporation and government of cities.
Cities, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Appleton of Peabody, from the committee on City of Fall River, — street improvements, sewers and school-houses.
Cities, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Fall River to borrow money for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses, beyond the limit fixed by law. (House, No. 548.)

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Burial lot of Governor William Eustis.
Expenditures, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for altering and improving the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington." (House, No. 549.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed the Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by inn-holders and common victuallers (House, No. 372). After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Charles, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 74 yeas to 104 nays, as follows:—
Intoxicating liquors, — inn-holders and common victuallers.

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fallon, James O.
 French, Russell M.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel

Messrs. Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas

Messrs. Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Beasom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.

Messrs. Blodgett, Percival	Messrs. Leonard, Mahlon R.
Brigham, William H.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Brown, Samuel J.	Loud, John C.
Carter, James H.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Chester, Dwight	Low, Emery M.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Luther, William
Clark, Louis M.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Clough, George S.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Crane, George A.	McCall, Samuel W.
Crosman, Charles	Meyer, George v. L.
Crowell, Elkanah	Newell, Richard
Cutler, George P.	Norton, John H.
Dennis, William D.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Dyar, Perlie A.	Nye, Charles H.
Fall, George	Olmstead, James M.
Ferren, Myron J.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Fiske, Granville C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Perkins, Augustus G.
Friend, George H.	Perkins, George W.
Galloupe, George A.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gallup, William W.	Proctor, George O.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Richardson, Albert W.
Garfield, George H.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
George, Edwin H.	Richmond, Silas P.
Giles, Joseph J.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Gray, Joshua S.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Green, George H. B.	Rugg, George H.
Hall, Henry C.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Harding, N. Frank	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Harris, Charles E.	Shute, Charles F.
Heald, Joseph B.	Simonds, George R.
Holmes, Charles H.	Smith, James B.
Horton, Everett S.	Soule, George L.
Howard, George C.	Stickney, Clarence
Howard, S. Edward	St. John, Thomas E.
Hoyt, Warren	Sweet, Andrew H.
Jackson, Charles T.	Taft, Henry G.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Tucker, George F.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Lane, Howard G.	Winslow, George S.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Lawrence, William B.	Woodward, Amos P.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Carroll, Michael*
Nutting, Arthur F.
Presho, Edward W.*
Hinds, John F.*
Barrett, Richard F.*
Heffernin, Patrick J.
McSolla, Richard F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Smith, Sumner
Danforth, John M.*
Hyde, William S.
Adams, John W.
Jennings, Henry J.
Smith, Sylvanus*
Durant, William B.*

* Present.

Mileage of
members of the
House of Repre-
sentatives.

On motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, adopted an order establishing the number of miles' travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth, for which mileage and compensation for travel shall be allowed and paid the members of the House of Representatives, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, it was, on further motion of Mr. Garfield, recommitted to the committee on Pay Roll.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate :

City of Boston,
— municipal
lighting.

On an order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891 that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor of the city of Boston in more than one municipal year ;

Municipal
lighting.

On an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide

that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

On an order relative to legislation reducing and regulating the price of electricity ; and Price of electricity.

On an order relative to reducing and regulating the price of gas ; and Price of gas.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas ; Inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas and gas appliances.

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On further motions of Mr. Mellen, the report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 31. Report of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — Boston Gas Company.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Railroads, — 500-mile tickets at mileage rates.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 27. Hours of labor of paper mill employees.

On motions of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water (House, No. 532) was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading. Town of Webster, — water supply.

Discharged from the Orders.

Railroads, —
interchangeable
mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, the Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon the railroad lines in this Commonwealth (House, No. 379) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Gillett of Springfield was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Telegraph
companies, —
charges for the
delivery of
messages.

On motions of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, June 1.

Insurance, —
proof of claims
under life
policies.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the Bill amendatory of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties (House, No. 408), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26.

Highway com-
mission.

On motion of Mr. French of Framingham, the Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth (House, No. 415) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Railroad fares.

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick, the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 75 to 35. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 27. Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved that it be post-

poned for further consideration until Thursday, May 26. The question was first put upon the most remote time, and the motion of Mr. Tucker was lost. The motion of Mr. Buckley prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Webster, the Resolutions relating to the immigration of paupers, criminals and dependent persons (Senate, No. 220) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted, in concurrence, as follows :—

Immigration of
paupers, crim-
inals and de-
pendent persons.

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, earnestly and respectfully urge upon the Congress of the United States, and the executive and legislative departments of the several States, the importance of adopting legislative measures establishing a uniform policy in dealing with immigrants from foreign countries, and persons migrating from State to State, who are dependent upon public or private charity, and are of idle, vicious or criminal habits.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to the presiding officers of both houses of the Congress of the United States, to each of the senators and representatives therein from this Commonwealth, and to the governors of the several States of the United States.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that fewer election officers may be required at the polling places in small towns divided into polling precincts ;

Orders of the
day.

On an order relative to requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots, instead of the cross as now required ; and

On an order relative to requiring the State to furnish, and voters to use, in marking their ballots, some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William E. Meade

that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Red Men's Building Association (Senate, No. 211) ;

To provide for the establishment of city governments (Senate, No. 190) ;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections (House, No. 544) ;

To provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 222) ; and

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 223) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission (House, No. 539), was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the War of the Rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of enlistment (Senate, No. 215) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 19, adopted an order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same, being the unfinished business of Friday, was further considered, and after debate was lost by a vote of 51 to 61.

The report of the committee on State House, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build

a residence adjoining the State House to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an executive mansion was further considered.

Mr. Rivers of Milton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide an executive mansion for the Governor of the Commonwealth" (House, No. 543).

After debate, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 51 to 55, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater (House, No. 528) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater moved to amend by striking out sections 1 and 2; also in section 3, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "said city may for the purposes of this act," and inserting in place thereof the words "for the purpose of putting in operation its system of sewerage, the city of Brockton shall have full power to;" also in line 3 of the same section by striking out the words "said town," and inserting in place thereof the words "the town of West Bridgewater;" also in line 12 of the same section by inserting after the word "for" the following: "providing that said pumping station shall be located at least four thousand feet from the south line of the city of Brockton and east of Main street."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Battles of Brockton, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to affect the right of any person performing or furnishing labor, or of any person furnishing materials and giving the notice in writing provided for in section 1, from maintaining his lien therefor in the manner now provided for enforcing such lien."

Pending the amendment, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes, during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts, was further considered.

Mr. Carroll of Blackstone moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend an act entitled 'An Act to revise the laws relating to elections'" (House, No. 541).

After debate the bill moved as an amendment was substituted, by a vote of 59 to 45, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading. Pending this question, and pending the point of order raised by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, that the bill is broader in its scope than the order upon which it is based, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at sixteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Personal Explanations.

Mr. Galloupe of Beverly rose to a personal explanation, and stated that on Friday last, on the question on passing to be engrossed the Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (House, No. 372), through a misunderstanding he voted in favor of the bill when he should have announced that he was paired with Mr. Burbank of Pittsfield, who, if present, would have voted in the negative.

Mr. Melaven of Worcester stated that on the same question he voted "no," when he should have announced that he was paired with Mr. Newell of West Newbury, who, if present, would have voted in the affirmative.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained" (Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Burke of Quincy, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

A Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 227) (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

*Taken from the Table.***Lobsters.**

On motions of Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that it may be lawful to take, catch and sell, or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length (and sundry petitions in aid of the same), was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Friday, May 27.

**Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.**

On motions of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the motion of Mr. Woodsum to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Friday, April 1, rejected the Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses (House, No. 262), was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 26.

*Discharged from the Orders.***City of
Fall River, —
streets, sewers
and school-
houses.**

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, the Bill authorizing the city of Fall River to borrow money for street improvements, sewers, and the erection of school-houses beyond the limit fixed by law (House, No. 548), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**City of Boston,
— pensioning of
firemen.**

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill in relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston (House, No. 512) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

*Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.***Engrossed bills :****Bills enacted.**

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company ;
Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield ;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a park way ;

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to increase its water supply ;

To provide a penalty for intimidating laborers ;

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell ;

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the superior court ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Relating to peddling by minors ;

In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies ;

To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association ; and

To authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch Resolve passed.
(which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, Orders of the day.
on the petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890 by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers ;

On an order relative to changing the method of appointing and paying election officers or to provide for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point ; and

On an order relative to providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted

by officers other than those that receive the same at the various polling places ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act entitled " An Act to revise the laws relating to elections " (House, No. 541) ; and the

Resolve providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington (House, No. 549) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates (Senate, No. 123) ; and

To establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, and to define its powers and duties (Senate, No. 117) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On the question of order raised by Mr. Lawrence of Medford, that the bill is broader in its scope than the order upon which it is based, inasmuch as it referred solely to the appointment as special police officers of those who are not residents of this Commonwealth, whereas the bill reported by the committee extends farther and applies to all persons, the Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Rules, with instructions to report a bill in conformity with the order upon which the report was made.

The Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Point of order.

Mr. Shute of Malden raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that under joint rules 8 and 9, and House rules 30 and 31, the petition upon which the bill was based and its publication

gave no notice of the legislation contemplated by the bill, to wit, the proposed grant of State aid to, or the exercise of the right of eminent domain by, said corporation, nor of the repeal of chapter 397 of the Acts of the year 1891, which last-mentioned act purported to secure and protect many private rights and interests.

The Speaker stated that it appeared from an examination of the papers that the petition bore the certificate of the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the required publication had been made in accordance with law, and that it was not necessary to state in detail in the publication all the provisions of the bill. He therefore ruled the point of order not well taken.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved that debate on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading be closed at three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. The question was first put upon the most remote time, and the motion of Mr. Moriarty prevailed, by a vote of 70 to 25.

Mr. Holmes of Chelsea moved to amend in section 1, lines 4 and 5, by striking out "Charles C. Coon" and inserting in place thereof "Charles E. Coon;" also in section 5, line 8, by striking out the word "section," and inserting in place thereof the word "sections;" also in section 31, line 12, by inserting after the word "elected" the word "as."

Mr. McCall of Winchester was, at his request, excused from voting on the main question.

After debate the amendments were severally adopted. On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Shute of Malden, and the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 28 yeas to 165 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, E. Elbridge	Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Fall, George
Blodgett, Percival	Fallon, James O.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Galloupe, George A.
Cannon, William	Giles, Joseph J.

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Messrs. Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Hoyt, Warren
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.

Messrs. McAnally, Frank
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Smith, James B.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buck, Anson
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.

Messrs. Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crane, George A.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George P.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Gallup, William W.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel

Messrs. Heffernan, Edward J.	Messrs. Olmstead, James M.
Hemenway, William H.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hinds, John F.	Parker, James O.
Hoar, John J.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hobson, Charles H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Howard, George C.	Perkins, George W.
Howe, S. Augustus	Potter, Samuel A.
Hyde, William S.	Pratt, Amasa
Jenkins, Robert B.	Presho, Edward W.
Jenks, George W.	Proctor, George O.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Read, Franklin F.
Kelly, Charles A.	Richardson, Albert W.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Richmond, Silas P.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Rivers, George R. R.
Lawrence, William B.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Rugg, George H.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Low, Emery M.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Luby, Patrick B.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Luther, William	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Shute, Charles F.
Lynch, John B.	Smith, Sumner
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Smith, Sylvanus
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Soule, George L.
McCarthy, Daniel	St. John, Thomas E.
McEvoy, John W.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
McLean, Isaac	Sullivan, Michael F.
McLoughlin, John T.	Sundberg, John F.
McSolla, Richard F.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Melaven, James F.	Taft, Henry G.
Mellen, James H.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Tucker, George F.
Mooney, William L.	Warren, Bentley W.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Morse, Stillman F.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Newell, Richard	Wilder, Aaron O.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Winslow, George S.
Nickerson, Osborn	Wolf, Bernard M.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Wood, Frank C.
Nye, Charles H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
O'Brien, John J.	

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The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRS.	
YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac	Messrs. Gardner, Arthur H.*
Lakin, James A.*	Howard, S. Edward
Burbank, Roland E.*	Simonds, George R.
Jackson, Charles T.*	Coakley, Daniel H.
Norton, John H.*	Brown, Benjamin F.
Chance, Charles J.*	Gillett, Frederick H.
Daley, Edward L.*	Meyer, George v. L.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings (Senate, No. 157) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Dacey of Boston moved to amend in section 4, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the words "concurrent vote of the city council of the city of Woburn," and inserting in place thereof the words "a majority of the voters of the city of Woburn voting upon the question at any city election."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply (Senate, No. 206) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437) was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Olmstead of Boston, was adopted.

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows : "Sect. 3. This act shall take effect the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-three." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries (House, No. 536) was further considered. After debate, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill for the better protection of seamen (House, No. 260) was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its amendments. After debate, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of the bill the words "*provided, however*, that the whole amount to be expended under this act shall not exceed two thousand dollars."

After debate, the amendment was declared rejected by a vote of 11 to 52.

Mr. Moriarty raised the point of order that a quorum Point of order. was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that but 95 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Bicknell of Weymouth, at quarter before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

City of
Chicopee, —
water supply.

A petition, presented by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, of the city of Chicopee for authority to take an additional water supply, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th and 9th joint rules. On motions of Mr. O'Neil, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rules and in the reference with instructions.

Order.

Committee on
Cities.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 27, to consider matters now before them.
Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Elections, —
marking of
ballots.

On an order relative to preventing the use in marking ballots of anything except black pencils ;

Elections, —
recounts of
ballots.

On an order relative to authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law ; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present ;

On an order relative to repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and to provide, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any State, city or town elections for any officer or upon any question submitted to the people shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by or under direction of the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work; and

Elections,—
recounts of
ballots.

On an order relative to amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890 by providing that no recount of votes authorized by said section shall be made unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which the recount is desired receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers; also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town (Senate, No. 233) (reported on a petition); and a

Town of North
Attleborough,—
Fire District
No. 1.

Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company and of extending the provisions of said act (Senate, No. 231) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate);

Gas and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners,—
Dorchester Gas
Light Company.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions." (House, No. 330.)

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

Notice was also received from the Senate that the House petition of the Prohibition State Central Committee that any political party whose average vote for Governor for the three years next preceding shall average three per cent. of the average total vote for Governor for these

Political parties,
— nominations.

years shall enjoy all the rights and privileges now given to a party that casts three per cent. of the vote for Governor for one year, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirteenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— inspection of
buildings.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on orders and a bill introduced on leave in the House, a Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston. (House, No. 554.)

City of Quincy,
— water com-
missioners.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company. (House, No. 555.)

Stoughton
Water Com-
pany.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company. (House, No. 557.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Volunteer
militia, —
naval brigade.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish a naval brigade to be attached to the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 191) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Cape Cod
Maritime
Canal Company.

Mr. Rideout of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446), and on further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table by a vote of 56 to 51. Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 130 members were present.

Point of order.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, by unanimous consent the vote whereby the House, on Monday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of enlistment (Senate, No. 215) was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, Mr. Rideout moved to amend in line 12 by inserting, before the word "enlistments," the words "such appointments or." The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Officers, sailors
and marines.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Curtis Spaulding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston, was taken from the table, and was accepted, in concurrence.

Subway Com-
pany, — under-
ground railways
in Boston.

On motions of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Vaccination.

On motions of Mr. Halley of Lawrence, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Prohibitory
liquor law.

On motions of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the fees for the naturalization of aliens, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 31.

Naturalization
of aliens.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Fiske of Ashland moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water (House, No. 445). The motion was lost.

Water supplies.

Discharged from the Orders.

Elections, —
appointment of
tellers.

On motions of Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, the report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that tellers in town elections shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Discharge of
small loans.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No 530) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for further consideration until Friday next, pending an amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Buildings for
working men
and women.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide, at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women containing a suitable meeting hall, reading rooms, proper arrangements for baths and rooms for recreation, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Chance moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to enable cities to establish buildings for working men and women" (House, No. 556), pending which amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Fall River, —
streets, sewers
and school-
houses.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, the Bill authorizing the city of Fall River to borrow money for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses beyond the limit fixed by law (House, No. 548) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of ^{House Rule 17.} the committee on Rules, who were instructed to consider the expediency of amending Rule 17 of the House rules by striking out the last sentence thereof, that it was inexpedient to amend the rule as specified, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to amend by the substitution of the following order:—

Ordered, That Rule 17 of the House be amended by striking out the last sentence thereof.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee. On the question on the amendment moved by Mr. McCall, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen, and the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 63 yeas to 128 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.	Messrs. Halley, Dennis E.
Ashley, Henry W.	Hart, William H.
Bacheller, Charles M.	Healy, Lemuel
Bardwell, Henry D.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Hevey, Thomas D.
Bennett, Frank P.	Hoar, John J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Lynch, John B.
Bryant, Charles H.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Buckley, William P.	McAnally, Frank
Cannon, William	McCall, Samuel W.
Capen, Robert P.	McLoughlin, John T.
Carroll, Michael	McSolla, Richard F.
Chance, Charles J.	Melaven, James F.
Clark, Edward P.	Mellen, James H.
Clayton, Horace E.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Connolly, Francis	Meyer, George v. L.
Crowell, Elkanah	Mooney, William L.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Delaney, Patrick	O'Brien, John J.
Driscoll, John A.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Parker, James O.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Golding, John	Ruggles, Henry E.
Hall, Henry C.	Sargent, J. Bradford

Messrs. Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.

Messrs. Sundberg, John F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buck, Anson
 Burke, James F.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Cutler, George E.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.

Messrs. Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 French, Russell M.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hinds, John F.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Lakin, James A.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.

Messrs. Morse, Stillman F.	Messrs. Richmond, Silas P.
Newell, Richard	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Ross, Samuel
Nickerson, Osborn	Rugg, George H.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Shute, Charles F.
Nye, Charles H.	Simonds, George R.
Oakes, William H.	Smith, James B.
Olmstead, James M.	Smith, Sumner
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Soule, George L.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Stickney, Clarence
Perkins, Augustus G.	St. John, Thomas E.
Perkins, George W.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Potter, Samuel A.	Taft, Henry G.
Powers, Wilbur H.	Tucker, George F.
Presho, Edward W.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Proctor, George O.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Quinn, Timothy F.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Read, Franklin F.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Richardson, Albert W.	Wood, Frank C.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 63; Nays, 128.

The report was then accepted.

Recess Taken.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, at twenty minutes before one o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock. Recess.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the city of Medford (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections (House, No. 544); and the Orders of the day.

Resolve providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington (House, No. 549);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 223) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes (House, No. 523) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 8, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments (Senate, No. 190) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, in Article 10, form 2, by inserting at the beginning of the article, before the word "The," the words "The city council shall be composed of two branches, one of which shall be called the board of aldermen and the other the common council," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "transfer" the words "also an act to provide for recording and indexing instruments affecting land as at present in operation in the city of New York."

Point of order.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford raised the point of order that the amendment was not germane to the bill. The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Loud of Chelsea, the amendment moved by Mr. Bennett was rejected.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, was rejected, and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 51 to 84.

The Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Meyer of Boston moved to amend as follows: In section 1, line 7, after the word "are," by inserting the

words "without any special exemption;" also by striking out section 2 and inserting the following new sections in place thereof:—

"*Sect. 2.* This act shall not be construed to change the present law as to assessing taxes on bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness.

"*Sect. 3.* In cities in which taxation is limited by law, the amount which for the next five years can legally be raised by taxation shall not be deemed to be less than it would be by taking the assessors' valuation of personal property for the year 1892 as the basis for estimating the same.

"*Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect on the first of January, 1893."

After debate, pending the amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Prorogation.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider when the Legislature can be prorogued without detriment to the public business, and report such resolve thereon as they may deem necessary.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally referred, as follows, as recommended by the committee on Rules: —

Boston and
Providence
Railroad, — ter-
minal station in
Boston.

By Mr. Horton of Attleborough, remonstrance of Elijah R. Reade and 108 others of Attleborough; and by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, remonstrance of Daniel Brown and 64 others, — severally, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square.

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Dukes County,
— trial justice.

A petition, presented by Mr. Mayhew of Tiabury, of the sheriff of Dukes County, the chairman of the selectmen of Edgartown and 66 others, citizens of said town, for legislation allowing the appointment of an additional trial justice for Dukes County, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Mayhew, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Civil service.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.*Motion to Reconsider.*

Mr. Warren of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152). The same gentleman moved that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, which motion, after debate, prevailed by a vote of 97 to 31.

Torrens system
of land transfer.*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston. (House, No. 563.)

City of Boston,
—sidewalks.

By Mr. Clough of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to sewers in the city of Boston. (House, No. 564.)

City of Boston,
—sewers.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 282) was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 31, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Furniture.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legis-

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

late, on an order relative to repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors," and a petition relative to the same subject, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the reports :
Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

Sons of
Veterans.

On the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies ; and

Sergeant Wil-
liam H. Carney
Camp, No. 82,
Sons of
Veterans.

On the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade ;

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 31.

Discharged from the Orders.

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 164) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Blanchard moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 552), which was read and substituted, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motions of Mr. O'Brien of Marlborough, the reports :

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary :

Administrative
boards and
commissions, —
power of
appointment
and removal.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the power of removal and appointment ; and

Superintendent
of Prisons.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General

Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the existing laws so that the town clerks will cease to be members of boards of registrars of voters, but continue to be clerks of such boards, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 2.

Town clerks as registrars of voters.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge (Senate, No. 218) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Grade crossings on Chelsea bridge.

Mr. Merritt moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge and Chelsea Bridge Avenue, Boston" (House, No. 565), pending which, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Battles of Brockton, the Bill to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company (House, No. 557) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Stoughton Water Company.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain public parks;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law;

To establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth ;

To permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year ;

To incorporate the Medway Water Company ; and

To provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of William H. Robison (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to preventing the use in marking ballots of anything except black pencils ;

On an order relative to authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law ; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present ;

On an order relative to repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and to provide, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any State, city or town elections for any office or upon any question submitted to the people shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by or under direction of the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work ; and

On an order relative to amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that no

recount of votes authorized by said section shall be made unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which the recount is desired receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers; also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company (House, No. 555) ;

To establish a naval brigade to be attached to the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 191) ; and

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town (Senate, No. 233) ; and the

Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (Senate, No. 181) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Red Men's Building Association (Senate, No. 211) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation (House, No. 344), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Nutting of Northampton, the pending amendments moved by Mr. Meyer of Boston were rejected by a vote of 46 to 71, and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 42 to 91.

The Bill to authorize municipal authorities to regulate the maintenance and use of poles and wires within the limits of highways (House, No. 499) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Gardner of Nantucket moved to amend in section 1, line 5, by inserting, after the word "city," the words "or town, or if there is no such paper, in some newspaper published in the county," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to amend in section 1, line 8, by striking out the word "may," and inserting in place thereof the word "shall," which amendment was rejected.

After debate the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth, was further considered.

Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the charges for the use of telephones in cities, towns and villages in this State" (House, No. 558). After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 32 to 47, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water (House, No. 532) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to supply the town of Webster with water" (House, No. 550). After debate, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill amendatory of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties (House, No. 408), was further considered, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend in section 1 by striking out lines 19 to 23, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the words "statements were wilfully false, fraudulent or misleading;" also in the same section by striking out lines 81 to 84, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the words "wilfully false, fraudulent or misleading."

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The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so as to read "Bill in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties."

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was taken up. Pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Keliher of Boston, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. A. Winship of Somerville.

Papers from the Senate.

State Board of
Arbitration and
Conciliation.

A Bill relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (Senate, No. 237) (new draft of a House bill with the title "Bill relative to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees") (House, No. 471); and a

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College, —
Durfee Plant
House.

Resolve providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 228) (reported on an order) (Mr. Adams of Springfield, of the House, dissenting);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

World's
Columbian
Exposition, —
road-making
exhibit.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

City of Chelsea,
— ward lines.

By Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of the mayor of Chelsea for such legislation as will enable the city of Chelsea to revise its ward lines and increase the number of its wards. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Chester of Newton, from the committee on Insurance, to whom was recommitted the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 480), with pending amendments, reported that the bill ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 568.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals (Senate, No. 219) ought to pass with the following amendments: In lines 4 and 5, by striking out the words "of the immigration from Europe of paupers and criminals, and," and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" also by adding at the end of the resolve the words "The total amount to be expended under authority of this resolve shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars."

Immigration of
paupers and
criminals.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor ought to pass. (House, No. 567.)

Constitutional
amendment,—
property qual-
ification for the
office of Gov-
ernor.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading.

Mr. Heald of Pepperell, from the committee on Rules, to whom was recommitted the Senate Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72), reported that, without expressing any opinion as to its merits and for the purpose of bringing the bill within the scope of the orders upon which it was based, it ought to pass with the following amendments: In section 1, striking out the words commencing with "each," in line 7, and concluding with "thereof," in line 19; also in the same section by striking out all after the word "employee," in line 24. Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Special police
officers.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Rules, on an order, a Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court. (House, No. 570.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, the question being on the adoption of the resolution.

Prorogation of
the General
Court.

Motion to Reconsider.

Telephone
companies, —
character and
price of service.

Mr. Hoar of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth. After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 48 to 75.

Hour of Meeting.

Hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, —
Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Tuesday next at one o'clock P.M.

Taken from the Table.

County of
Middlesex, —
sittings of the
superior court
for civil busi-
ness.

On motion of Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, the Bill changing the time of the sitting of the superior court for civil business for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 255) was taken from the table, and was ordered to a third reading.

Street railway
companies, —
cut-off boxes.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Wednesday, May 11, accepted the report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all street railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart along their lines, was taken from the table, and was rejected.

Taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the report of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by" and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax, afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined

that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee," was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, June 1, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Taxation of
personal prop-
erty.

On motion of Mr. Luby of Fall River, the Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Jenks of Shelburne moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 2, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 63 to 71, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 92 to 54.

Hours of labor
of minors and
women.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the Resolve in relation to the State printing (House, No. 479) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and considered.

State printing.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend in line 10 by striking out the words "three to five," and inserting in place thereof the words "one, two or three;" also in line 14, by inserting, after the word "offered," the words "for each year."

After debate, the amendments were severally rejected, and the resolve was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on concur-

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

ring with the Senate in certain amendments, the bill was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, June 1.

On motions of Mr. Dennis of Salem, the reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Elections, —
canvassing
votes.

On an order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and of such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes ;

Id.

On an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 so as to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections ; and

Id.

On an order relative to amending chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word "city" wherever it occurs ; also of providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness ; also of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot boxes may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally postponed for further consideration until Thursday, June 2.

Buildings for
working men
and women.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide, at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting-hall, reading-rooms, proper arrangements for baths and rooms for recreation, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Grade crossings
on Chelsea
Bridge.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge (Senate, No. 218) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, to substitute a "Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge and Chelsea Bridge Avenue, Boston"

(House, No. 565), was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. The same gentleman moved to amend by the substitution of another bill with the same title (House, No. 569), which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners Bills enacted.
for the county of Norfolk ;

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club ;

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company ;

To authorize the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts ;

In relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony ;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled " An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water ; "

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell ; and

In relation to supplying the town of Stoughton with water ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ;

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates ; and

To establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to define its powers and duties ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

In favor of the State Normal School at Westfield (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion, and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Cities, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish a naval brigade to be attached to the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 191) ; and

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town (Senate, No. 233) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, June 1, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper-mill employees, was further considered.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills " (House, No. 547). On further motion of Mr. Buckley, the bill moved as a substitute was amended in section 4, line 3, by striking out the word " ninety-one," and inserting in place thereof the word " ninety-two."

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston. On the question on the amendment, moved by Mr. Buckley, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley, and the roll being called, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected by a vote of 65 yeas to 109 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Golding, John
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hoar, John J.

Messrs. Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wolf, Bernard M.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas

Messrs. Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burnham, Lewis

Messrs. Charles, Salem D.	Messrs. Lawrence, Amos A.
Clark, Louis M.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Clough, George S.	Loud, John C.
Crane, George A.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Crosby, James P.	Low, Emery M.
Crosman, Charles	Luther, William
Crowell, Elkanah	Lyford, Edwin F.
Cutler, George E.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Cutler, George P.	McCall, Samuel W.
Danforth, John M.	McLean, Isaac
Dennis, William D.	Morse, Stillman F.
Durant, William B.	Newell, Richard
Dyar, Perlle A.	Nickerson, Osborn
Fall, George	Nourse, Andrew L.
Fay, James M.	Nye, Charles H.
Ferren, Myron J.	Olmstead, James M.
Galloupe, George A.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Gallup, William W.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Garfield, George H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
George, Edwin H.	Potter, Samuel A.
Giles, Joseph J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Proctor, George O.
Graham, John R.	Read, Franklin F.
Gray, Joshua S.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Green, George H. B.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Hale, Charles H.	Rivers, George R. R.
Hall, Henry C.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Harding, N. Frank	Rugg, George H.
Harris, Charles E.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Heald, Joseph B.	Smith, James B.
Hemenway, William H.	Smith, Sylvanus
Hinds, John F.	Soule, George L.
Holmes, Charles H.	Sprague, Charles F.
Hooker, Charles H.	Stickney, Clarence
Howard, George C.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Taft, Henry G.
Hyde, William S.	Tucker, George F.
Jenks, George W.	Warren, Bentley W.
Jennings, Henry J.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Lakin, James A.	Wood, Frank C.
Larkin, Erastus D.	

Yeas, 65 ; Nays, 109.

The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRS.	
YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Lanigan, Andrew M.*	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Sparhawk, Henry C.*	Fletcher, J. Henry
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Simonds, George R.*
Savage, Patrick J.*	Buck, Anson
Clark, Edward P.	Clark, Hiram E. W.*
Dolan, William J.	Richardson, Albert W.*
Delaney, Patrick*	Shute, Charles F.
Bennett, Frank P.*	Pratt, Amasa
Fallon, James O.	Winslow, George S.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so that it may be lawful to take, catch and sell, or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length (and sundry petitions in aid of the same), was further considered.

Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the penalty for selling small lobsters" (House, No. 560), pending which amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Worcester, at twelve minutes past one o'clock, adjourned, by a vote of 80 to 52, until Tuesday next at one o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 31, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 31, 1892.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

Message from
the Governor,—
Fast day, Good
Friday.

I submit herewith for your consideration a memorial addressed to me signed by prominent representatives of various religious denominations and of colleges within the Commonwealth, which memorial requests a change of the day now observed as Fast day, and suggests in its place establishing a new holiday in the spring, and leaving the sacred and devotional purposes of Fast day "to be accomplished by the observance of Good Friday as a church religious Fast day, independent of all State control or authority."

As this proposition has been much considered by many of our citizens deeply interested in it, and who represent the strong religious sentiment of our people, and as it requires your action, I gladly submit it to you, confident that you will give it the careful attention which its importance demands.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message was read, and with the accompanying memorial, was, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Introduced on Leave.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, a Resolve providing for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Blanchard, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Petition Presented.

A remonstrance, presented by Mr. Roe of Worcester, of Herbert McIntosh and 53 others of Worcester against any legislation prejudicial to the Order of the Iron Hall, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants (Senate, No. 234) (reported on an order) (Mr. Clough of Worcester, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Pensioning of
members of
police depart-
ments.

Relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston (Senate, No. 243) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court) ;

City of Boston,
— city hall.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill authorizing the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School (Senate, No. 236) (reported on a petition) ; and a

Town of Bridge-
water, — State
Normal School
at Bridgewater.

Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (Senate, No. 235) (reported, in part, on an order relative to codifying the laws relating to elections) ;

Elections, —
election laws.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of the town of Natick that said town may be reimbursed the sum of \$32.04 on account of the board of Sarah E. Bowker at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital had been referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, the Senate having reconsidered the vote by which it non-concurred with the House in the suspension of the rule, notice of such action having been sent to the House March 8.

Town of Natick.

The House petition of the sheriff of Dukes County, the chairman of the selectmen of Edgartown and 66 others, citizens of said town, for legislation allowing the

Dukes County,
— trial justice.

appointment of an additional trial justice for Dukes County, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the
Board of Police
of the city of
Boston, —
lodging-houses.

By Mr. Presho of Boston, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston as relates to cheap transient lodging-houses (Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, of the House, dissenting). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of
Marlborough, —
water supply.

By Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply. (House, No. 572.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Schedule of
mileage of mem-
bers of the
House of Rep-
resentatives.

Mr. Garfield of Brockton, from the committee on Pay Roll, to whom was recommitting the order establishing a schedule of mileage for members of the House of Representatives, reported recommending the adoption of the following order (House, No. 573): —

Ordered, That the number of miles' travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth for which mileage and compensation for travel shall be allowed and paid the members of the House of Representatives for the present session, and until a new schedule shall be established, shall be as hereinafter set forth, viz.: —

Abington, 20; Acton, 25; Acushnet, 55; Adams, 150; Agawam, 105; Alford, 185; Amesbury, 45; Amherst, 100; Andover, 25; Arlington, 10; Ashburnham, 65; Ashby, 55; Ashfield, 135; Ashland, 25; Athol, 85; Attleborough, 35; Auburn, 50; Avon, 20; Ayer, 35; Barnstable, 85; Barre, 65; Becket, 145; Bedford, 20; Belchertown, 95; Bellingham, 30; Belmont, 10; Berkley, 40; Berlin, 40; Bernardston, 115; Beverly, 20; Billerica, 20; Blackstone, 35; Blandford, 120; Bolton, 45; Boston, 5; Bourne, 65; Boxborough, 30; Boxford, 30; Boylston, 50; Bradford, 35; Braintree, 15; Brewster, 95; Bridgewater, 30; Brimfield, 85; Brockton, 25; Brookfield, 70; Brookline, 5; Buckland, 115; Burlington, 15; CAMBRIDGE, 5; Canton, 15; Carlisle, 25; Carver, 45; Charlemont, 130; Charlton, 65; Chatham, 100; Chelmsford, 30; CHELSEA, 5; Cheshire, 160; Chester, 130; Chesterfield, 130; CHICOPEE, 105; Chilmark, 100; Clarksburg, 145; Clinton, 45; Cohasset, 25; Colrain, 125; Concord, 20; Conway, 125; Cottage City, 100; Cummington, 135; Dalton, 145; Dana, 80; Danvers,

25; Dartmouth, 65; Dedham, 10; Deerfield, 110; Dennis, 85; Dighton, 40; Douglas, 50; Dover, 15; Dracut, 35; Dudley, 60; Dunstable, 40; Duxbury, 35; East Bridgewater, 25; Eastham, 100; Easthampton, 120; Easton, 25; Edgartown, 100; Egremont, 185; Enfield, 110; Erving, 90; Essex, 30; Everett, 5; Fairhaven, 60; FALL RIVER, 55; Falmouth, 70; FITCHBURG, 50; Florida, 135; Foxborough, 30; Framingham, 25; Franklin, 30; Freetown, 50; Gardner, 65; Gay Head, 100; Georgetown, 30; Gill, 110; GLOUCESTER, 35; Goshen, 130; Gosnold, 100; Grafton, 40; Granby, 110; Granville, 120; Great Barrington, 180; Greenfield, 105; Greenwich, 120; Groton, 40; Groveland, 35; Hadley, 105; Halifax, 30; Hamilton, 30; Hampden, 110; Hancock, 165; Hanover, 25; Hanson, 25; Hardwick, 65; Harvard, 40; Harwich, 90; Hatfield, 120; HAVERHILL, 35; Hawley, 135; Heath, 135; Hingham, 20; Hinsdale, 145; Holbrook, 15; Holden, 55; Holland, 100; Holliston, 25; HOLYOKE, 110; Hopedale, 35; Hopkinton, 30; Hubbardston, 70; Hudson, 35; Hull, 25; Huntington, 120; Hyde Park, 10; Ipswich, 30; Kingston, 35; Lakeville, 40; Lancaster, 45; Lanesborough, 155; LAWRENCE, 30; Lee, 165; Leicester, 50; Lenox, 160; Leominster, 55; Leverett, 110; Lexington, 10; Leyden, 115; Lincoln, 20; Littleton, 35; Longmeadow, 105; LOWELL, 30; Ludlow, 110; Lunenburg, 45; LYNN, 15; Lynnfield, 15; MALDEN, 5; Manchester, 25; Mansfield, 25; Marblehead, 20; Marion, 50; MARLBOROUGH, 35; Marshfield, 35; Mashpee, 65; Mattapoisett, 55; Maynard, 30; Medfield, 20; Medford, 10; Medway, 30; Melrose, 10; Mendon, 40; Merrimac, 45; Methuen, 35; Middleborough, 35; Middlefield, 135; Middleton, 25; Milford, 35; Millbury, 50; Millis, 25; Milton, 10; Monroe, 140; Monson, 90; Montague, 110; Monterey, 185; Montgomery, 120; Mount Washington, 190; Nahant, 15; Nantucket, 120; Natick, 20; Needham, 15; New Ashford, 150; NEW BEDFORD, 55; New Braintree, 70; Newbury, 35; NEWBURYPORT, 40; New Marlborough, 180; New Salem, 90; NEWTON, 10; Norfolk, 25; North Adams, 145; NORTHAMPTON, 115; North Andover, 30; North Attleborough, 40; Northborough, 40; Northbridge, 50; North Brookfield, 70; Northfield, 105; North Reading, 20; Norton, 35; Norwell, 30; Norwood, 15; Oakham, 60; Orange, 90; Orleans, 100; Otis, 170; Oxford, 60; Palmer, 85; Paxton, 55; Peabody, 20; Pelham, 120; Pembroke, 30; Pepperell, 45; Peru, 150; Petersham, 90; Phillipston, 90; PITTSFIELD, 150; Plainfield, 140; Plymouth, 40; Plympton, 35; Prescott, 90; Princeton, 60; Provincetown, 125; QUINCY, 10; Randolph, 15; Raynham, 35; Reading, 15; Rehoboth, 40; Revere, 5; Richmond, 160; Rochester, 50; Rockland, 20; Rockport, 35; Rowe, 135; Rowley, 35; Royalston, 80; Russell, 120; Rutland, 55; SALEM, 20; Salisbury, 40; Sandisfield, 180; Sandwich, 65; Saugus, 10; Savoy, 160; Scituate, 30; Seekonk, 40; Sharon,

20; Sheffield, 185; Shelburne, 125; Sherborn, 25; Shirley, 40; Shrewsbury, 60; Shutesbury, 115; Somerset, 45; SOMERVILLE, 5; Southampton, 120; Southborough, 30; Southbridge, 70; South Hadley, 115; Southwick, 115; Spencer, 65; SPRINGFIELD, 100; Sterling, 60; Stockbridge, 170; Stoneham, 10; Stoughton, 20; Stow, 30; Sturbridge, 75; Sudbury, 25; Sunderland, 110; Sutton, 55; Swampscott, 15; Swanzey, 50; TAUNTON, 40; Templeton, 75; Tewksbury, 25; Tisbury, 100; Tolland, 180; Topsfield, 25; Townsend, 45; Truro, 120; Tyngsborough, 35; Tyringham, 170; Upton, 45; Uxbridge, 45; Wakefield, 10; Wales, 95; Walpole, 20; WALTHAM, 10; Ware, 75; Wareham, 50; Warren, 75; Warwick, 95; Washington, 140; Watertown, 10; Wayland, 20; Webster, 60; Wellesley, 15; Wellfleet, 110; Wendell, 95; Wenham, 25; Westborough, 35; West Boylston, 50; West Bridgewater, 25; West Brookfield, 70; Westfield, 110; Westford, 35; Westhampton, 125; Westminster, 55; West Newbury, 40; Weston, 15; Westport, 65; West Springfield, 100; West Stockbridge, 165; West Tisbury, 100; Weymouth, 15; Whately, 120; Whitman, 25; Wilbraham, 90; Williamsburg, 125; Williamstown, 150; Wilmington, 15; Winchendon, 70; Winchester, 10; Windsor, 155; Winthrop, 10; WOBURN, 10; WORCESTER, 45; Worthington, 185; Wrentham, 25; Yarmouth, 80.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its adoption.

State House
extension.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension ought to pass. (House, No. 574.)

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Loud of Chelsea, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the purchase of land and buildings and for the purchase of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital (Senate, No. 155) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Hours of labor
of minors and
women.

Mr. Green of Belchertown moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Senate, No. 199). After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Meyer of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 75 yeas to 107 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Crosby, James P.
 Cutler, George E.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Durant, William B.
 Fall, George
 Gallup, William W.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.

Messrs. Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McEvoy, John W.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Proctor, George O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, Sumner
 Soule, George L.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wilder, Aaron O.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.

Messrs. Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William

Messrs. Capen, Robert P.

Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crane, George A.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Garfield, George H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.

Messrs. Köhlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.

Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McLean, Isaac
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert
 Woodward, Amos P.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry*	Messrs. Blodgett, Percival
Perkins, George W.	Ball, George S.*
Smith, James B.*	Harris, Charles E.*
Ashley, Henry W.	Barney, Benjamin B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge*	Coakley, Daniel H.
McLoughlin, John T.	Jewett, Gilbert L.*
Stickney, Clarence*	Tucker, George F.
Holmes, Charles H.*	Keliber, Thomas J.

* Present.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Blackstone, the Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to revise the laws relating to elections" (House, No. 541) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Elections, —
revision of laws.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 568) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Fraternal
beneficiary or-
ganizations.

On motions of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies ; and

Sons of
Veterans.

On the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts, Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade ;

Sergeant Wil-
liam H. Carney
Camp, No. 82,
Sons of
Veterans.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

Abolition of
grade crossings
on Chelsea
bridge.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the Bill to promote the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge and Chelsea bridge avenue, Boston (House, No. 569), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Discharge of
small loans.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans (House, No. 530), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of the following amendment: Adding to section 1 the following: "So as to read as follows:—

"Section 1. All loans hereafter contracted, for less than one thousand dollars, shall be discharged by the debtor upon payment or tender of the principal sum actually borrowed, and interest at the rate of eighteen per centum per annum, from the time said money was borrowed, together with a sum, for the actual expenses of making the loan and securing the same, not exceeding five dollars, provided that the lender shall be entitled to interest for six months at said rate when the debt is paid before the expiration of that period. And all payments in excess of said rate shall be applied to the discharge of the principal, and the borrower shall only be obliged to pay or tender the balance of the principal and interest, at said rate, due after such application. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed: *provided*, that nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any loan made at a less rate than at the rate of eighteen per centum per annum; nor shall it be construed to repeal so much of section three of chapter seventy-seven of the Public Statutes as provides that when there is no agreement for a different rate the interest of money shall be at the rate of six dollars upon each hundred dollars for a year."

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend in section 3, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the word "eighteen" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirteen;" also in line 3, after the word "more," by inserting the words "per annum;" also in lines 5 and 6, by striking out the words "or with substantial accuracy;" also in section 7, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "violates the provisions

of this act," and inserting in place thereof the words "receives interest upon a loan under one thousand dollars, secured by mortgage upon personal property at a rate exceeding eighteen per centum per annum."

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 3, line 10, by inserting after the word "notified" the words "in the manner provided in section 7 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Delaney of Fall River, the Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving (House, No. 510) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Delaney moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Monday, June 6, which motion was lost. After debate, the bill was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 227) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court (House, No. 570) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolved, That on the tenth day of June in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two, the General Court, if not prorogued at a prior date, request His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue it to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888 and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian Ballot Act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto; and

On an order relative to such legislation as shall require, as far as practicable, the application of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to printing ballots at the public expense, at nominating conventions or meetings for State or city elective officers;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor (House, No. 567) were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals (Senate, No. 219) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds (House, No. 435); and

Changing the time of the sitting of the superior court for civil business for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 255);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that it may be lawful to take, catch and sell, or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length (and sundry petitions in aid of the same), being

the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dolan of Boston, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, to substitute a "Bill to amend section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the penalty for selling small lobsters" (House, No. 560), was rejected by a vote of 36 to 73, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott, and others similarly situated, from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores, was further considered.

Mr. Jackson of Swampscott moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prevent the dumping of garbage and offal in salt water" (House, No. 545).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected, by a vote of 27 to 59, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, by a vote of 83 to 0.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the fees for the naturalization of aliens, was further considered.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to fees for naturalization" (House, No. 559).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, the yeas and nays were ordered, on the question on substitution, at the request of Mr. Buckley, and the roll being called, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 52 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Francis, Frank W.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	French, Russell M.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Gallup, William W.
Breen, Daniel F.	Golding, John
Brogan, Patrick F.	Halley, Dennis E.
Buckley, William P.	Hart, William H.
Burke, James F.	Healy, Lemuel
Cannon, William	Hevey, Thomas D.
Capen, Robert P.	Hoar, John J.
Carroll, Michael	Lowe, William W.
Carter, James H.	Luby, Patrick B.
Casey, Joseph J.	Lynch, John B.
Chance, Charles J.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Charles, Salem D.	McCarthy, Daniel
Clark, Edward P.	McLean, Isaac
Clayton, Horace E.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Connolly, Francis	Nutting, Arthur F.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	O'Brien, John J.
Dacey, Charles M.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Daley, Edward L.	Parker, James O.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Dolan, William J.	Rivers, George R. R.
Driscoll, John A.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Easland, John N.	Sundberg, John F.
Fairbanks, Edward	Turner, Edward E.
Fallon, James O.	Warren, Bentley W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, Miles S.	Messrs. Dyar, Perlie A.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Fall, George
Austin, J. Lewis	Ferren, Myron J.
Baker, William G.	Fiske, Granville C.
Ball, George S.	Fletcher, J. Henry
Barrett, Richard F.	Garfield, George H.
Battles, David W.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Bennett, Frank P.	Gillett, Ransom W.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Graham, John R.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Gray, Joshua S.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Green, George H. B.
Blodgett, Percival	Hall, Henry C.
Brigham, William H.	Harding, N. Frank
Brown, Samuel J.	Harris, Charles E.
Clough, George S.	Hemenway, William H.
Crane, George A.	Hinds, John F.
Danforth, John M.	Holmes, Charles H.
Dennis, William D.	Hooker, Charles H.
Durant, William B.	Howard, George C.

Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus	Messrs. Potter, Samuel A.
Hyde, William S.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jackson, Charles T.	Presho, Edward W.
Jennings, Henry J.	Read, Franklin F.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richmond, Jeremiah T
Jordan, Edgar E.	Richmond, Silas P.
Lakin, James A.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Rugg, George H.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Shute, Charles F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Smith, Sumner
McCall, Samuel W.	Sprague, Charles F.
Morse, Stillman F.	Taft, Henry G.
Olmstead, James M.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Wilder, Aaron O.

Yeas, 52; Nays, 70.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Keliber, Thomas J.*	Messrs. St. John, Thomas E.
Ashley, Henry W.	Gardner, Arthur H.*
Sullivan, Benjamin J.*	Simonds, George R.
Lanigan, Andrew M.*	Adams, John W.
Buck, Anson*	Roe, Alfred S.
Rosnosky, Isaac	Meyer, George v. L.*
Mellen, James H.	Lawrence, William B.*
Ruggles, Henry E.	Perkins, Augustus G.*
Kilduff, Richard G.*	Loud, John C.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Bates, Jacob P.*
Wolf, Bernard M.*	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Sullivan, Michael F.*	Galloupe, George A.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Woodsum, B. Herbert*
McSolla, Richard F.	Richardson, Albert W.*
Merritt, Marcus M.*	Tucker, George F.
McLoughlin, John T.	Atwood, Edward B.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted.

At fourteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Powers of Hyde Park had been appointed to preside. Mr. Powers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

Veto message,—
sale of trout
artificially
raised.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, returning with his objections thereto a Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year (Senate, No. 140) (new draft of House, No. 100). The message was read, and pending the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" it was, on motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, postponed for further consideration until Friday next. The message was as follows (House, No. 579):—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 1, 1892.

To the Honorable House of Representatives.

I return herewith, with my objections, a Bill entitled "An Act to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year," which originated in your body.

This bill, introduced upon the petition of individuals largely interested in the artificial propagation and maintenance of trout, permits the sale of such trout at a season when the sale of other trout is forbidden by law.

The Commonwealth, by many and careful regulations and restrictions, has vigorously undertaken the preservation of her useful fish. In furtherance of this well-established and wise policy, she has created important and expensive offices; made large appropriations of money; imposed restrictions and obligations upon private ownership of land and water used or useful for fisheries; carefully limited the time, manner and place of fishing; and, as a regulation the most stringent and efficient short of entire prohibition, forbidden the purchase, sale or possession of many fish out of the lawful season.

All of this State supervision and interference with personal liberty and private property have been only upon the conceded fact of the common interest of all the people in the preservation of useful fish in the Commonwealth, and the necessity of united and so of State action to this end. Such action, year by year increasing, has been with the approval and upon the demand of the people. Among the fish most needing and constantly receiving such legal protection have been trout. For their preservation and increase not only has the Commonwealth greatly restricted their catch, but she has also established hatchways, appropriated money for the propagation and distribution of trout, and encouraged individual assistance by granting rights of flowage and other privileges.

The sole object of this policy has been to make a valuable food and game fish, now scarce and dear, again plenty and cheap.

The catching of trout, if unrestricted either as to time or manner of fishing, would soon exterminate them. Such restrictions already established are necessarily difficult of enforcement, and, in my judgment, would become impossible of enforcement and practically useless if it is made for one's pecuniary interest to violate them by opening to him a valuable market out of season. This bill, I believe, will work just this evil. It permits the sale of a trout which differs from other trout only in being artificially fed. It opens a market for such sale to a special interest, while it is closed to all others. The restrictions of the bill, intended to prevent the sale of other trout, can be easily evaded, and I believe would be practically useless. Once permit the possession, sale and purchase of artificially raised trout during the close season, and all trout may soon be made to meet the required condition or to escape detection if they do not. The most potent influence for the preservation and increase of this fish, namely, the prohibition of a market, will then be lost.

If this bill becomes a law, I do not see how its principle can fail to be extended whenever any other individual, having a special pecuniary interest in the artificial raising of other fish or game, demands for the protection and development of his industry special privileges at the public expense and obnoxious to the public interests.

I am not ready to give my approval to legislation of this character, nor to aid in establishing an artificial trout industry by special favors from government to the injury of the public, because at the expense of the wise and well-established policy of this Commonwealth, which seeks to preserve her fish and game for the benefit of all her people.

The industry already existing was established with full knowledge of this policy, and has prospered without the aid of special legislation in its interest. I object to this bill, therefore, —

First, because it permits an act which I believe will remove the most efficient restraint upon the illegal catching of trout, and will lead to their extermination.

Second, because it establishes a precedent which, if followed, will go far to destroy the usefulness of the fish and game laws of the Commonwealth.

Third, because in effect, if not in form, it is legislation for a special interest against the public interest and to the public injury.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

Introduced on Leave.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, a Bill relative to the taking of lobsters. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Taxation of personal property.

By Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, petitions of George F. Eastman and 41 other legal voters of Granby; of George H. Hero and 16 other members of Westborough Grange; of J. H. Dyer and 36 other members of Marlborough Grange; of F. C. Bourne and 17 other legal voters of Norfolk; of E. F. Roberts and 22 other legal voters of Granville; of F. E. Hawkes and 240 others of Charlemont; of F. H. Stevens and 22 others of Stow, and of Adrian Scott and 22 other members of Blackstone Grange,—severally, in aid of the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford,—

Ordered, That leave of absence is hereby granted to Messrs. Appleton of Peabody, Richmond of Freetown and Sprague of Boston, to attend the national Republican Convention at Minneapolis, to which they have been elected delegates.

Mr. St. John of Haverhill was, at his request, granted leave of absence for ten days.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports:**

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court:

On an order relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act; and

City of Boston,
— streets.

On an order relative to providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city; and

On an order relative to consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill relating to the registration of voters (Senate, No. 240) (reported on orders and petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, it was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Registration of
voters.

Reports of Committees.

Report of Board
of Police for city
of Boston.

By Mr. McEvoy of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the 7th annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and sent up for concurrence.

City of
Chicopee, —
water supply.

By Mr. Howe of Gardner, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply. (House, No. 578.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Charitable
corporations, —
voting by proxy.

By Mr. Ashley of Westfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (Senate, No. 87) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — list of
stockholders.

On motions of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each member and the number of shares held by each one, was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Discharged from the Orders.

Retirement of
judges of
probate and in-
solvency.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to provide for the retirement of the judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. After debate, the House refused to concur with the Senate in its reference to the joint special committee, to be appointed to sit during the recess, on the revision of the judicial system of the Commonwealth, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday, April 1, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes in cities and towns voting to grant no licenses (House, No. 262), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Woodsum, referred to the next General Court.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
agents.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing and regulating the price of gas, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Price of gas.

Mr. O'Neil moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to corporations for the making of gas" (House, No. 551), which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond;

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the city of Everett;

To authorize the city of Boston to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park; and

Relating to the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River for the better protection of its water supply;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan;

To authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply;

To incorporate the Red Men's Building Association; and

In relation to the employment of children;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

A Bill for the better protection of seamen (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth moved to strike out the enacting clause. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Chance of Boston, and the roll being called, the motion prevailed by a vote of 109 yeas to 75 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. George, Edwin H.
Allen, James E.	Gillett, Ransom W.
Andrews, Miles S.	Graham, John R.
Appleton, Francis H.	Gray, Joshua S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Hall, Henry C.
Austin, J. Lewis	Harding, N. Frank
Ball, George S.	Harris, Charles E.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Heald, Joseph B.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Hemenway, William H.
Barstow, Thomas	Hinds, John F.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Holmes, Charles H.
Bates, Jacob P.	Hooker, Charles H.
Bennett, Frank P.	Horton, Everett S.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Howard, George C.
Blodgett, Percival	Howard, S. Edward
Bourne, Franklin C.	Hoyt, Warren
Brewer, Edward S.	Jackson, Charles T.
Brown, Samuel J.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Buck, Anson	Jenks, George W.
Burnham, Lewis	Jennings, Henry J.
Carter, James H.	Jennison, Henry J.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Clark, Louis M.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Crane, George A.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Crosby, James P.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Crowell, Elkanah	Lawrence, William B.
Cutler, George P.	Low, Emery M.
Danforth, John M.	Luther, William
Dennis, William D.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Durant, William B.	Meyer, George v. L.
Fairbanks, Edward	Newell, Richard
Fall, George	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Fiske, Granville C.	Nickerson, Osborn
Fletcher, J. Henry	Norton, John H.
Friend, George H.	Nye, Charles H.
Galloupe, George A.	Olmstead, James M.
Gallup, William W.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Garfield, George H.	Perkins, Augustus G.

Messrs. Perkins, George W.

Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.

Messrs. Shute, Charles F.

Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tucker, George F.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Anderson, Stephen
 Baker, William G.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Battles, David W.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George E.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Ferren, Myron J.

Messrs. French, Russell M.

Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Golding, John
 Hale, Charles H.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 McAnally, Frank
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nourse, Andrew L.

Messrs. Nutting, Arthur F.	Messrs. Sullivan, Benjamin J.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Parker, James O.	Sundberg, John F.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Turner, Edward E.
Ross, Samuel	Warren, Bentley W.
Savage, Patrick J.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	

Yeas, 109 ; Nays, 75.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. St. John, Thomas E.*

Mr. Rosnosky, Isaac

* Present.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston (House, No. 563) ;

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston (House, No. 564) ; and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply (House, No. 572) ; and the

Resolve providing for the purchase of land and buildings, and for the purchase of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital (Senate, No. 155) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company (House, No. 555), was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals (Senate, No. 219) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in amendments previously adopted by the House.

The order establishing the number of miles' travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth, for which mileage and compensation for travel shall be allowed and paid the members of the House of Representatives (House, No. 573), was adopted, as recommended by the committee on Pay Roll.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Parker of Methuen moved to amend by adding a new section, to be numbered section 4, as follows: "*Sect. 4.* Any assessor who refuses or neglects to comply with the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars for each offence," which amendment was adopted by a vote of 43 to 4.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Perkins of Boston, by a vote of 68 to 29. On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hooker of Westhampton, and the roll being called, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 76 yeas to 95 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Allen, James E.

Anderson, Stephen

Ashley, Henry W.

Atwood, E. Elbridge

Ball, George S.

Bardwell, Henry D.

Barstow, Thomas

Batcheller, Henry C.

Bourne, Franklin C.

Breen, Daniel F.

Messrs. Buck, Anson

Buckley, William P.

Burke, James F.

Burnham, Lewis

Cannon, William

Capen, Robert P.

Carroll, Michael

Carter, James H.

Chance, Charles J.

Charles, Salem D.

Clark, Hiram E. W.

Messrs. Clayton, Horace E.

Connolly, Francis
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George P.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dole, Eben S.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 French, Russell M.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Howard, George C.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kelly, Charles A.

Messrs. Kilduff, Richard G.

Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lynch, John B.
 McAnally, Frank
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rugg, George H.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Smith, Sumner
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Woodward, Amos P.

NATS.**Messrs. Andrews, Miles S.**

Appleton, Francis H.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.

Messrs. Dennis, William D.

Dodge, Edgar S.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Francis, Frank W.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Graham, John R.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank

Messrs. Hemenway, William H.	Messrs. Perkins, George W.
Hinds, John F.	Potter, Samuel A.
Holmes, Charles H.	Presho, Edward W.
Horton, Everett S.	Proctor, George O.
Howard, S. Edward	Richardson, Arthur C.
Hoyt, Warren	Rivers, George R. R.
Hyde, William S.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Jackson, Charles T.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Jennings, Henry J.	Ross, Samuel
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lane, Howard G.	Simonds, George R.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Smith, James B.
Lawrence, William B.	Smith, Sylvanus
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Soule, George L.
Loud, John C.	Sprague, Charles F.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Stickney, Clarence
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Sundberg, John F.
McCall, Samuel W.	Taft, Henry G.
McLean, Isaac	Tucker, George F.
Meyer, George v. L.	Turner, Edward E.
Newell, Richard	Wellman, Arthur H.
Nickerson, Osborn	Winslow, George S.
Norton, John H.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Oakes, William H.	Wood, Frank C.
Olmstead, James M.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Perkins, Augustus G.	

Yeas, 76; Nays, 95.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced:—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Parker, Bowdoin S.	Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.*
McEvoy, John W.*	Brewer, Edward S.
Ackley, Edward W.*	Howe, S. Augustus
Roe, Alfred S.	Bessom, Eugene A.*
McLoughlin, John T.	Sparhawk, Henry C.*
Nutting, Arthur F.*	Harris, Charles E.
O'Brien, John J.	Brigham, William H.*
Richmond, Silas P.*	St. John, Thomas E.
Coakley, Daniel H.*	Chester, Dwight
Hooker, Charles H.*	Jenks, George W.
Driscoll, John A.*	Shute, Charles F.
Melaven, James F.*	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Moriarty, Eugene M.*	Bliss, Frederic W.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Keliher, Thomas J.*

* Present.

The Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) was further considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the following amendments: In section 1, line 1, by inserting, after the word "company," the word "hereafter;" also, in section 3, by striking out the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "on the first day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the House non-concurred in the first amendment by a vote of 41 to 83. The House also non-concurred in the second amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall not apply to any railroad corporation if its effect is to reduce the dividend on the capital stock of such corporation below the amount of seven per cent. per annum, nor to any railroad corporation in which the proportion of bonds issued to capital stock outstanding is equal to two-thirds of the amount of such capital stock."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, the amendment moved by Mr. Tucker was rejected. On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 70 yeas to 86 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Blodgett, Albert G.
Allen, James E.	Bourne, Franklin C.
Andrews, Miles S.	Brogan, Patrick F.
Ashley, Henry W.	Brown, Samuel J.
Atwood, Edward B.	Buck, Anson
Baker, William G.	Buckley, William P.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Burke, James F.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Burnham, Lewis
Barstow, Thomas	Capen, Robert P.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Carroll, Michael

Messrs. Carter, James H.	Messrs. Jordan, Edgar E.
Casey, Joseph J.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Clayton, Horace E.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Coburn, Clarence G.	Luby, Patrick B.
Connolly, Francis	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crowell, Elkanah	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Dacey, Charles M.	McAnally, Frank
Delaney, Patrick	McLoughlin, John T.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Melaven, James F.
Dole, Eben S.	Mellen, James H.
Driscoll, John A.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Fiske, Granville C.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Francis, Frank W.	Powers, Wilbur H.
French, Russell M.	Presho, Edward W.
Gallup, William W.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Ross, Samuel
Gillett, Ransom W.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Gray, Joshua S.	Smith, James B.
Hale, Charles H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Halley, Dennis E.	Sundberg, John F.
Harding, N. Frank	Toomey, Daniel P.
Hemenway, William H.	Warren, Bentley W.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Winslow, George S.
Hobson, Charles H.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Fall, George
Austin, J. Lewis	Fallon, James O.
Ball, George S.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Fletcher, J. Henry
Bates, Jacob P.	Friend, George H.
Bennett, Frank P.	Giles, Joseph J.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Golding, John
Blodgett, Percival	Graham, John R.
Breen, Daniel F.	Hall, Henry C.
Brigham, William H.	Healy, Lemuel
Cannon, William	Hinds, John F.
Clark, Edward P.	Hoar, John J.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Holmes, Charles H.
Clark, Louis M.	Hooker, Charles H.
Crane, George A.	Horton, Everett S.
Crosman, Charles	Howe, S. Augustus
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Hyde, William S.
Danforth, John M.	Jackson, Charles T.
Dennis, William D.	Jenks, George W.
Durant, William B.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Fairbanks, Edward	Lakin, James A.

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Messrs. Lane, Howard G.	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Lawrence, William B.	Perkins, George W.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Potter, Samuel A.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Pratt, Amasa
Loud, John C.	Proctor, George O.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Read, Franklin F.
Luther, William	Richardson, Albert W.
Lynch, John B.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
McCarthy, Daniel	Rookwell, Henry F.
McLean, Isaac	Sawyer, Ira O.
McSolla, Richard F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Morse, Stillman F.	Simonds, George R.
Newell, Richard	Soule, George L.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Nickerson, Osborn	Sweet, Andrew H.
Norton, John H.	Taft, Henry G.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Turner, Edward E.
Oakes, William H.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Parker, James O.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 70; Nays, 86.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Barney, Benjamin B.	Messrs. McCall, Samuel W.*
Heald, Joseph B.*	Rugg, George H.
McEvoy, John W.*	Fay, James M.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Meyer, George v. L.*
Sullivan, Benjamin J.*	Brewer, Edward S.
Adams, John W.*	Howard, S. Edward
Rosnosky, Isaac	Olmstead, James M.*
Gardner, Arthur H.*	Appleton, Francis H.
O'Brien, John J.	Brown, Benjamin F.*
Merritt, Marcus M.	Tucker, George F.*
George, Edwin H.*	Jennison, Henry J.
Atwood, E. Elbridge*	Wilder, Aaron O.
Savage, Patrick J.*	Sprague, Charles F.
Mooney, William L.	Stickney, Clarence*
Dolan, William J.	Rivers, George R. R.*
Garfield, George H.	Jennings, Henry J.*
Chance, Charles J.*	Quinn, Thomas A.
Howard, George C.	Barrett, Richard F.*
Coakley, Daniel H.	Galloupe, George A.*
Nye, Charles H.	Daley, Edward L.*
Harris, Charles E.	Crosby, James P.*

* Present.

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The report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, was further considered. After debate, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the House,—

On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, at ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 2, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition Presented.*City of
Brockton, —
grade crossings.

A petition, presented by Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, of the mayor of Brockton and the president of the Old Colony Railroad Company relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Lakin of Westfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

*Personal Explanation.*Personal ex-
planation.

Mr. Bennett of Everett rose to a personal explanation, and stated that yesterday, on the question on passing to be engrossed the Bill to regulate railroad fares (House, No. 476), he voted in the negative when he should have announced that he was paired with Mr. Parker of Boston, who, if present, would have voted in the affirmative.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Mileage of mem-
bers of the
House.

Ordered, That the committee on Pay Roll are hereby instructed to make up a supplementary pay roll for the balances due any members of the House of Representatives for compensation for travel, under the provisions of chapter 59 of the Acts of the present year, in cases where the distances established by the schedule of distances adopted at the present session exceed those established by the schedule previously in force, under which compensation has already been allowed.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to borrow, outside the debt limit, five hundred thousand dollars, for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries street to Wood Island Park, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

City of Boston,
— Wood Island
Park.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions (Messrs. Rosnosky of Boston and McEvoy of Lowell, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— pensions.

A Bill relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 245) (reported on orders), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
— highways.

Notice having been received that Messrs. Butler, Simpkins and McDonald had been appointed as the committee of conference on the part of the Senate on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106), the Speaker appointed Messrs. Gillett of Springfield, Parker of Boston and Charles of Boston as the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Committee of
conference, —
equity docket of
the superior
court in the
counties of
Suffolk and
Middlesex.

The House Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

The House Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the taking of lobsters came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Atwood of Plymouth, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Lobsters.

Reports of Committees.

Lotteries and
policy lotteries.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries (Senate, No. 112) ought to pass with the following amendment, viz., adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* The printing, advertising, issuing or delivery of any ticket, paper, document or material representing or purporting to represent the existence of or interest in a lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard, shall be prima facie evidence of the existence, location and drawing of such lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard; and the issuing or delivery of any such paper, ticket, document or material shall be prima facie evidence of value received therefor by the person or persons, company or corporation who issues or delivers or knowingly aids or abets in the issuing or delivering of such paper, ticket, document or material."

Gambling
houses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming (Senate, No. 125) ought to pass.

Supreme ju-
dicial court,—
reporter of
decisions.

By Mr. Lawrence of Medford, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses (Senate, No. 109) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Torrens system
of land transfer.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Wednesday, May 25, refused to order to a third reading the Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer (Senate, No. 152), was taken from the table. After debate, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 54 to 73.

Constitutional
amendment,—
biennial or tri-
ennial elections
and sessions.

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or

triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10) was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

On motions of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "Provided said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State," was taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

Taxation of personal property.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, voted to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill for the better protection of seamen (House, No. 260). After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 64 to 97.

Seamen.

Mr. Howard of West Bridgewater moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill to impose a penalty for failure to bring in lists of personal property to the assessors (House, No. 388). After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 51 to 92.

Assessors of taxes,—taxation of personal property.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston as relates to cheap transient lodging-houses, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

City of Boston,—transient lodging-houses.

Mr. Rosnosky moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to transient lodging houses" (House, No. 575), which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

City of
Chicopee, —
water supply.

On motion of Mr. Howe of Gardner, the Bill to authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply (House, No. 578) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Registration of
voters.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Bill relating to the registration of voters (Senate, No. 240) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Recess Taken.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, at twenty minutes before two o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until two o'clock.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Fall River to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses (which originated in the House) ;

To establish a naval brigade, to be attached to the volunteer militia ;

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of

counting and canvassing votes, and of such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word "city" wherever it occurs; also of providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness; also of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot boxes may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to increased executive responsibility;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court:

On an order relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor and the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act; and

On an order relative to providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide; the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to paid under the provisions of the said chapter; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no public way shall be

laid out, altered, widened or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston (House, No. 563);

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston (House, No. 564); and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply (House, No. 572); and

Resolves:

Providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston (House, No. 495); and

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor (House, No. 567);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 96); and the

Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (Senate, No. 181);

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend the report by striking out the words "no legislation is necessary thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court."

The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the existing laws so that the town clerks will cease to be members of boards of registrars of voters, but continue to be clerks of such boards, was further considered.

Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to registrars of voters" (House, No. 562), which was read and substituted, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, the bill was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. McCall, referred to the next General Court.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 so as to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections, was further considered.

Mr. Dennis of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party" (House, No. 571), pending which amendment, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each member and the number of shares held by each one, was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed at the end of the calendar.

The Bill to amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 282) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

*Mr. Burke of Quincy moved to amend, in line 5, by striking out the word "seventy-five" and inserting in

place thereof the word "fifty;" also in line 11, by inserting after the word "auction" the following: "when the vendee or his legal representative shall request in writing the vendor so to do, and the sale shall be duly advertised in one of the principal newspapers published in the city or town where the goods are situated, or, if there is no such paper, in one of the principal newspapers published in such county, notice to be published at least three days prior to the time of the sale."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws, was further considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Chance of Boston, to substitute a "Bill allowing school committees to exclude, at their discretion, unvaccinated children from the public schools" (House, No. 304), was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law, was further considered. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on the acceptance of the report, at the request of Mr. Charles of Boston, and the roll being called, the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 89 yeas to 69 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen	Messrs. Buckley, William P.
Andrews, Miles S.	Burke, James F.
Ashley, Henry W.	Burnham, Lewis
Baker, William G.	Carroll, Michael
Barstow, Thomas	Casey, Joseph J.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Chance, Charles J.
Battles, David W.	Clayton, Horace E.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Clough, George S.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Crane, George A.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Crosman, Charles
Brock, Lemuel M.	Cutler, George E.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Dacey, Charles M.
Brown, Samuel J.	Driscoll, John A.

Messrs. Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 French, Russell M.
 Garfield, George H.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Lakin, James A.
 Langan, Andrew M.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Lynch, John B.
 McAnally, Frank

Messrs. McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mooney, William L.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Tucker, George F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, James H.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Cutler, George P.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Dennis, William D.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank

Messrs. Hemenway, William H.	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hooker, Charles H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howard, S. Edward	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jackson, Charles T.	Read, Franklin F.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jennings, Henry J.	Ross, Samuel
Jennison, Henry J.	Rugg, George H.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Shute, Charles F.
Loud, John C.	Simonds, George R.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Smith, James B.
McCall, Samuel W.	Smith, Sumner
Merritt, Marcus M.	Smith, Sylvanus
Morse, Stillman F.	Soule, George L.
Nickerson, Osborn	Toomey, Daniel P.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Nye, Charles H.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Parker, James O.	

Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 69.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to legislation providing that tellers in town elections shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, was further considered.

Mr. Galloupe of Beverly moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relating to the appointment of tellers " (House, No. 561).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 33 to 67, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston, and a petition relative to the same subject, was further considered.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors " (House, No. 542).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, Point of order. on motion of Mr. Baker of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was rejected by a vote of 26 to 73. Mr. Buckley raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 137 members were present. The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to declare owners and managers of sleeping-cars common carriers (House, No. 524) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Bliss of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 1.

After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, on motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, so as to read "Bill to further define the duties of sleeping-car companies."

The Resolve providing for improvements at the Massachusetts Reformatory was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill to prevent the injury to public health occasioned by drawing off the waters of Massapoag Lake below high-water mark (House, No. 500) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Quinn of Sharon, referred to the next General Court.

The Bill relative to strolling musicians and street bands (House, No. 323) was read a third time. Mr. Richardson of Winthrop moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns" (House, No. 235), which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court (House, No. 428) were read a third time, and pending the question on agreeing to the articles of amendment, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at twenty minutes before five o'clock, adjourned, by a vote of 65 to 18.

FRIDAY, June 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. E. Strong of Newton.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Commissioner
on Public
Records of
Parishes,
Towns and
Counties.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; also on the Bill to continue the commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), and the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records ;

Poll tax, —
qualification of
voters.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting ; and

Intoxicating
liquors, — sixth-
class licenses.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts, that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Corrupt prac-
tices in
elections.

A Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses (Senate, No. 212) (reported, in part, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the election and ballot laws) ; and

Resolves :

New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (Senate, No. 92) (reported on a petition) (Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health (Senate, No. 241) (reported on an order); State Board of Health, — laboratory.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 493) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Volunteer militia.

On motion of Mr. Oakes of Boston, the rule was suspended, and after debate the House refused to concur with the Senate in the amendments by a vote of 62 to 52, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill providing for an additional trial justice in Dukes County. (House, No. 585.) Dukes County, — trial justice.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 584.) Massachusetts Reformatory.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways (Senate, No. 209) ought to pass, with the following amendments: In section 1, line 7, after the word "anew," insert the word "altering;" also in section 2, line 2, by adding, after the word "by," the words "inserting after the words 'laying out' in the second line the words 'locating anew, widening' also by;" also in line 11 of the same section by inserting, after the words "laying out," the words "locating anew, widening;" also in section 3, lines 6 and 7, by striking out the words "said street commissioners acting for" and inserting in place thereof the words "damages sustained in any case specified in the preceding section shall be paid by the city of Boston and;" also in line 8 of the same section by inserting, after the word "of," the word "such," and in lines 9 and 10 by striking out the words "sustained in any case specified in the preceding section;" also in section 4, line 14, Assessment of damages for laying out highways.

by striking out the word "shall" and inserting in place thereof the word "may."

Park Street
Congregational
Society in
Boston.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), ought to pass with the following amendments: Striking out all of section 1 after the word "therein" in line 15; also in section 2 by striking out in line 5, after the word "been," the word "accepted," and inserting in place thereof the words "filed in the clerk's office of the superior court for the county of Suffolk;" also in section 2, lines 8 and 9, by striking out the words "in such trial the measure of damages shall be the sums fixed by section 1;" also in section 3, line 19, by striking out the words "such a tomb as is specified in section 1" and inserting in place thereof the words "a tomb, similar to the one taken either in Forest Hills or Mount Auburn Cemetery."

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for a tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee plant house at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 228) ought to pass.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School (Senate, No. 236) ought to pass.

State Board of
Arbitration and
Conciliation,—
expert assist-
ants.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (Senate, No. 237) ought to pass.

Election laws.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (Senate, No. 235) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Concentrated
commercial
feed stuffs.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to regulate the sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Motion to take from the Table.

Mr. Wellman of Malden moved to take from the table the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, May 24, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446). After debate, the motion to take from the table was lost by a vote of 42 to 89.

Cape Cod
Maritime Canal
Company.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :
Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops ;

Gambling, pool
rooms and
policy shops.

On an order relative to such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries ; and

Policy shops
and lotteries.

On an order relative to more stringent legislation on the subject of admission of children to shows and places of amusement ;

Admission of
children to
places of amuse-
ment.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the general agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children on shows so that children under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person ; and

Id.

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants ;

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities and
towns.

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for further consideration until Monday.

Motion to discharge from the Orders.

Mr. Ruggles of Franklin moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water (House, No. 532). After debate the motion was lost.

Town of
Webster, —
water supply.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of
Cambridge, —
water supply.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher of Belmont, the Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 222) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Fletcher moved to amend by inserting, in section 1, line 5, after the word "may," the words "within one year from the passage of this act;" also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 9, as follows:—

"*Sect. 9.* The city of Cambridge shall not pay any taxes on property taken and held under the provisions of section one of this act, but shall annually pay to any other city or town in which any lands so held are situated an amount of money equal to twelve dollars on every one thousand dollars of the average of the assessed valuation of such lands without buildings for the three years next preceding such taking, the valuation for each year being first reduced by the amount of all abatements allowed thereon."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Fletcher.

On motions of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the reports:

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Sons of
Veterans.

On the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies; and

Sergeant Wil-
liam H. Carney
Camp, No. 82,
Sons of
Veterans.

On the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally postponed for further consideration until Monday, by a vote of 65 to 19.

*Orders of the Day.**Reports:*

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to consolidating the board of street

commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants (Senate, No. 234) ;

To allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (Senate, No. 87) ;

Relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming (Senate, No. 125) ; and

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court, and to provide for clerk hire and incidental expenses (Senate, No. 109) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was amended, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply (House, No. 578) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee.

The Resolve providing for the purchase of land and buildings, and for the construction of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital (Senate, No. 155) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolves providing for amendments to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court (House, No. 428), being

the unfinished business of yesterday, were taken up. On the question on agreeing to the articles of amendment the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called the articles of amendment were not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 120 yeas to 87 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.

Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.

Messrs. Fiske, Granville C.

Fletcher, J. Henry
 Galloupe, George A.
 Garfield, George H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hyde, William S.
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jennison, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McAnally, Frank

Messrs. McCall, Samuel W.

Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Proctor, George O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.

Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac

Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Tucker, George F.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Winslow, George S.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NATS.**Messrs. Anderson, Stephen**

Ashley, Henry W.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buck, Anson
 Buckley, William P.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carroll, Michael
 Carter, James H.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.

Messrs. Daley, Edward L.

Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Friend, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.

Messrs. Lincoln, Stephen R.	Messrs. Parker, James O.
Luby, Patrick B.	Potter, Samuel A.
Lynch, John B.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Richardson, Albert W.
McCarthy, Daniel	Richardson, Arthur C.
McEvoy, John W.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
McLean, Isaac	Ross, Samuel
McLoughlin, John T.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
McSolla, Richard F.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Melaven, James F.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mellen, James H.	Sundberg, John F.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Taft, Henry G.
Mooney, William L.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Turner, Edward E.
Morse, Stillman F.	Warren, Bentley W.
O'Brien, John J.	Wolf, Bernard M.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	

Yeas, 120; Nays, 87.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Holmes, Charles H.*

Mr. Dolan, William J.

* Present.

The Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to revise the laws relating to elections" (House; No. 541) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, viz., striking out the first fifteen lines and inserting in place thereof the following : "Section eighty-nine of chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby amended by striking out the words 'not divided into voting precincts and,' in the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh lines of said section, and inserting in place thereof the words 'and precincts of towns;' and by inserting after the word 'selectmen,' in the thirtieth line, the words 'or moderator;' also by inserting after the word 'clerk,' in the same line, the words 'of said towns or of the election officers of said precincts,' so as to read as follows."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so as to read "Bill relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress."

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 568) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations" (House, No. 576).

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, it was voted that debate be closed on the pending amendment at ten minutes before one o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows: "*Sect. 8. Fraternal beneficiary or other corporations organized under the laws of other States and doing business in this Commonwealth, which have undertaken to pay to members or certificate holders, or their families, benefits at the end of fixed periods of time, shall, upon the passage of this act, cease to issue any new certificates or other promises to pay benefits at the end of fixed periods to members in this Commonwealth,*" which amendment, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 57 to 70.

On the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Bennett the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Bennett, and the roll being called, the motion to substitute prevailed, and the bill, as amended, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. The vote was 123 yeas to 77 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Allen, James E.

Andrews, Miles S.

Appleton, Francis H.

Ashley, Henry W.

Atwood, E. Elbridge

Austin, J. Lewis

Bacheller, Charles M.

Barrows, Hiram W.

Bartlett, Robert G.

Bates, Jacob P.

Bennett, Frank P.

Blodgett, Albert G.

Bourne, Franklin C.

Breen, Daniel F.

Brewer, Edward S.

Messrs. Brigham, William H.

Brogan, Patrick F.

Buck, Anson

Burnham, Lewis

Carroll, Michael

Carter, James H.

Clark, Hiram E. W.

Clark, Louis M.

Coakley, Daniel H.

Coburn, Clarence G.

Crane, George A.

Crosman, Charles

Crowell, Elkanah

Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Delaney, Patrick

Driscoll, John A.

Messrs.Durant, William B.

Easland, John N.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fallon, James O.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.

Messrs.McCarthy, Daniel

McEvoy, John W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Tucker, George F.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs.Ackley, Edward W.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Atwood, Edward B.

Messrs.Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.

Messrs. Batcheller, Henry C.	Messrs. Jennison, Henry J.
Battles, David W.	Keliber, Thomas J.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Kelly, Charles A.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Lakin, James A.
Bryant, Charles H.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Buckley, William P.	Lawrence, Amos A.
Burke, James F.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Cannon, William	Luby, Patrick B.
Charles, Salem D.	McAnally, Frank
Chester, Dwight	McLean, Isaac
Clayton, Horace E.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Clough, George S.	Mooney, William L.
Connolly, Francis	Nickerson, Osborn
Crosby, James P.	Oakes, William H.
Cutler, George P.	O'Brien, John J.
Dacey, Charles M.	Olmstead, James M.
Daley, Edward L.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Danforth, John M.	Parker, James O.
Dennis, William D.	Perkins, George W.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Potter, Samuel A.
Dole, Eben S.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Pratt, Amasa
Fay, James M.	Presho, Edward W.
Ferren, Myron J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Fiske, Granville C.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Francis, Frank W.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
French, Russell M.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Giles, Joseph J.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hall, Henry C.	Soule, George L.
Hart, William H.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Healy, Lemuel	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hemenway, William H.	Turner, Edward E.
Hooker, Charles H.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Jackson, Charles T.	Wood, Frank C.
Jennings, Henry J.	

Yeas, 123 ; Nays, 77.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Gallup, William W.

Mr. Hyde, William S.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Bliss of Boston, at twenty-five minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned by a vote of 69 to 54.

MONDAY, June 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid Over.

Credit to
students.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge asked leave to introduce a Bill to repeal sections 21, 22 and 23 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, prohibiting the giving of credit to students. Read, and at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, consideration of the request to introduce the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Revere Copper
Company,—
Massapoag
Lake.

By Mr. Rivers of Milton, remonstrance of H. A. Lothrop and 180 others of Sharon against any act regulating or restricting the drawing of water from Massapoag Lake in said town.

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

By Mr. Lincoln of Raynham, remonstrance of W. P. Savary and other members of the Iron Hall, People's Five Year Benefit Order and other orders, against the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations, praying that the matter may be referred to the next General Court.

Province Lands.

By Mr. Hobson of Lowell, petition of George A. Hanscom and others of Lowell in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the Province Lands by the Trustees of Public Reservations.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad Com-
pany,—terminal
station in
Boston.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, petition of George W. Chapman and 211 others of Hyde Park against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park square.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the following subjects: Inspection of Fish and other articles; Tables and Indexes relating to the Statutes; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods; State Board of Lunacy and Charity; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations; Commissioners of Public Works; Trustees of Public Institutions, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Administrative
boards and
commissions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses (Senate, No. 212). The report was read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Elections,—
publicity of
election ex-
penses.

Mr. Garfield of Brockton, from the committee on Pay Roll, who were instructed to make up a supplementary pay roll for the balances due any members of the House of Representatives for compensation for travel, under the provisions of chapter 59 of the Acts of the present year, reported that the following order with the accompanying schedule ought to be adopted:—

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$310 remains due to members of the House of Representatives for compensation for travel, calculated according to the table of distances adopted at the present session, is approved, and that the same be sent to the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted and signed by the Speaker.

By Mr. Blodgett of Templeton, from the joint special committee on Public Reservations, on petitions (recom-

Public reserva-
tions,—province
lands on Cape
Cod.

mitted), a Bill for the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown in the county of Barnstable. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders.

City of Boston,
— money for
pensions.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions. After debate the motion was lost.

Fraternal
beneficiary cor-
porations.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 576). The motion was lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the reports :
Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate :

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by the city of
Boston.

On an order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891 that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor in the city of Boston in more than one municipal year ;

Price of elec-
tricity.

On an order relative to legislation reducing and regulating the price of electricity ; and

Regulation of
the manufacture
of gas and gas
appliances.

On an order relative to requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Consolidation of
gas corpora-
tions.

On further motions of Mr. Mellen, the reports :
Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

Manufacture
and sale of gas
and electricity
by cities and
towns.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On further motion of Mr. Mellen, the Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company, and of extending the provisions of said act (Senate, No. 231), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Gas and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
Dorchester Gas
Light Company.

On further motion of Mr. Mellen, the Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to corporations for the making of gas (House, No. 551), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Gas corpora-
tions.

Mr. Hall of Woburn moved to amend in line 9 by striking out the words "without any right of appeal;" also, in line 18, by striking out the word "thereof," and inserting in place thereof the word "therefor;" also, in lines 18 and 19, by striking out the words "said company," and inserting in place thereof the words "the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;" also, in line 19, by striking out the word "upon;" also, in lines 23 and 24, by striking out the words "one dollar," and inserting in place thereof the words "seventy-five cents;" also, in line 29, by striking out the word "credited," and inserting in place thereof the word "paid;" also, in line 30, by striking out the words "on the bill rendered to it for gas."

After debate, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Appropriation
bill.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Bill making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 584), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Proxy voting in
certain corpo-
rations.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (Senate, No. 87) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties; also on the Bill to continue the Commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), and the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making assessment of a

tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries (House, No. 536);

To authorize the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School (Senate, No. 236); and

Relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (Senate, No. 237);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants (Senate, No. 234) was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "Provided said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State," was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies, was, after debate, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Hudson.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear

arms while on parade, was further considered. Mr. Brigham of Hudson moved that the report be postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, which motion was lost, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops ; and

On an order relative to such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries ;

Were severally laid on the table, on motions of Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

The reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to more stringent legislation on the subject of admission of children to shows and places of amusement ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the general agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children at shows, so that children under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person ;

Were severally postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motions of Mr. Roe of Worcester.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants, was further considered.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to enable certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes " (House, No. 534).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the bill moved

as an amendment was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged in weaving (House, No. 510) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, at the request of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 103 yeas to 67 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Austin, J. Lewis
Baker, William G.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Brigham, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Brown, Samuel J.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Daley, Edward L.
Danforth, John M.
Delaney, Patrick

Messrs. Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Easland, John N.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fallon, James O.
Fiske, Granville C.
Francis, Frank W.
Friend, George H.
Galloupe, George A.
Garfield, George H.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Golding, John
Gray, Joshua S.
Halley, Dennis E.
Harding, N. Frank
Hart, William H.
Healy, Lemuel
Heffernan, Edward J.
Heffernin, Patrick J.
Hemenway, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hoar, John J.
Howard, George C.
Jennings, Henry J.
Jennison, Henry J.
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Lakin, James A.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Leonard, Mahlon R.
Low, Emery M.
Lowe, William W.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Quinn, Timothy F.

Messrs. Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Ross, Samuel
 Shute, Charles F.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Buck, Anson
 Burnham, Lewis
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Cutler, George P.
 Dennis, William D.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fall, George
 Ferren, Myron J.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harris, Charles E.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Luther, William
 McEvoy, John W.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Proctor, George O.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Sargent, J. Bradford
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.

Messrs. Smith, Sumner -	Messrs. Tucker, George F.
Stickney, Clarence	Wellman, Arthur H.
Sweet, Andrew H.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Taft, Henry G.	

Yeas, 103 ; Nays, 67.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*	Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
Dacey, Charles M.*	Sprague, Charles F.
Kelly, Charles A.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.*
O'Brien, John J.	Rockwell, Henry F.*
Savage, Patrick J.	Fay, James M.*
Breen, Daniel F.	Soule, George L.*

* Present.

The Bill to prevent the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year (Senate, No. 140) was considered.

After debate, the yeas and nays were taken on the question " Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" and the roll being called, the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 92 yeas to 80 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Blodgett, Albert G.
Allen, James E.	Blodgett, Percival
Andrews, Miles S.	Brigham, William H.
Atwood, Edward B.	Brown, Samuel J.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Buck, Anson
Austin, J. Lewis	Burnham, Lewis
Baker, William G.	Chester, Dwight
Ball, George S.	Clark, Louis M.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Clough, George S.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Bates, Jacob P.	Crane, George A.
Battles, David W.	Crosby, James P.
Bennett, Frank P.	Crosman, Charles
Bessom, Eugene A.	Cutler, George P.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Danforth, John M.

Messrs.Dennis, William D.

Dole, Eben S.

Durant, William B.

Dyar, Perlle A.

Fall, George

Fay, James M.

Fiske, Granville C.

Friend, George H.

Galloupe, George A.

Garfield, George H.

George, Edwin H.

Giles, Joseph J.

Gray, Joshua S.

Green, George H. B.

Hall, Henry C.

Harding, N. Frank

Hemenway, William H.

Hinds, John F.

Hobson, Charles H.

Holmes, Charles H.

Hooker, Charles H.

Howard, George C.

Howe, S. Augustus

Jenkins, Robert B.

Jennings, Henry J.

Jordan, Edgar E.

Keliher, Thomas J.

Kilduff, Richard G.

Lane, Howard G.

Larkin, Erastus D.

Lawrence, Amos A.

Messrs.Loud, John C.

Lougee, Joseph L.

Low, Emery M.

Luther, William

Mayhew, Ulysses E.

Nickerson, Osborn

Norton, John H.

Nourse, Andrew L.

Olmstead, James M.

Parkhurst, Wellington E.

Perkins, Augustus G.

Perkins, George W.

Proctor, George O.

Richardson, Albert W.

Richardson, Arthur C.

Richmond, Jeremiah T.

Rideout, Malcolm E.

Rockwell, Henry F.

Ross, Samuel

Shute, Charles F.

Smith, James B.

Smith, Sumner

Smith, Sylvanus

Soule, George L.

Sweet, Andrew H.

Taft, Henry G.

Tucker, George F.

Wellman, Arthur H.

Whitcomb, N. Emery

Wood, Frank C.

Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.**Messrs.**Ackley, Edward W.

Anderson, Stephen

Ashley, Henry W.

Bardwell, Henry D.

Barney, Benjamin B.

Barrows, Hiram W.

Bourne, Franklin C.

Brock, Lemuel M.

Brogan, Patrick F.

Buckley, William P.

Burke, James F.

Cannon, William

Capen, Robert P.

Carroll, Michael

Carter, James H.

Casey, Joseph J.

Messrs.Chance, Charles J.

Charles, Salem D.

Clark, Edward P.

Clayton, Horace E.

Coakley, Daniel H.

Connolly, Francis

Crowley, Jeremiah J.

Dacey, Charles M.

Daley, Edward L.

Delaney, Patrick

Dodge, Edgar S.

Dolan, William J.

Driscoll, John A.

Easland, John N.

Fairbanks, Edward

Fallon, James O.

Messrs. Francis, Frank W.	Messrs. McLean, Isaac
Gilbride, Michael B.	McLoughlin, John T.
Golding, John	McSolla, Richard F.
Halley, Dennis E.	Melaven, James F.
Harris, Charles E.	Mellen, James H.
Hart, William H.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Healy, Lemuel	Meyer, George v. L.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Parker, James O.
Hoar, John J.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Jennison, Henry J.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Rivers, George R. R.
Lakin, James A.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Rugg, George H.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lowe, William W.	Simonds, George R.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Lynch, John B.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Sundberg, John F.
McAnally, Frank	Toomey, Daniel P.
McCarthy, Daniel	Turner, Edward E.
McEvoy, John W.	Warren, Bentley W.

Yeas, 92 ; Nays, 80.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Nichols, DeWitt C.*	Messrs. Kelly, Charles A.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Batcheller, Henry C.*
Wilder, Aaron O.*	O'Brien, John J.
Horton, Everett S.	Mooney, William L.*
Roe, Alfred S.*	Ruggles, Henry E.
Stickney, Clarence	Wolf, Bernard M.*
McCall, Samuel W.*	Sprague, Charles F.

* Present.

The Bill to amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10) was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexperienced to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 so as

to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections, was taken up. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Dennis of Salem, to substitute a "Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party" (House, No. 571), was adopted, and the bill, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (House, No. 467), was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water (House, No. 445) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Wellman of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water" (House, No. 580), which was read and substituted, and pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, at twenty-four minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

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TUESDAY, June 7, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

A report was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in compliance with Joint Rule No. 3, submitting a statement of expenses of committees for the month ending May 31, 1892, as furnished by the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 587). Placed on file.

Report of the
Sergeant-at-
Arms,—
expenses of
committees.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

Message from
the Governor,—
tuberculosis.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 7, 1892.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

I submit herewith for your consideration a communication received from the Board of Cattle Commissioners, which calls attention to the need of amending chapter 195 of the Acts of this year.

This communication has been referred to the Attorney-General, and I herewith enclose a copy of his opinion, recommending that said act be amended. The act, which is intended to prevent the spread of tuberculosis, provides for the appointment "in the month of April" of certain inspectors of provisions and of animals, by cities and towns.

As the act was not approved until April 22, I find that notice was not received by the cities and towns in season to make said appointments within the time provided by law.

As the Board of Cattle Commissioners believe it important that these officers should be appointed as soon as possible, in which opinion I concur, and as it is very doubtful if they can be legally appointed except in the month of April, I submit the matter to your consideration, with the suggestion that the act be amended so as to provide for their appointment at a later date.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message was read, and with the accompanying documents, was, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Introduced on Leave.

Credit to
students.

Leave was granted Mr. Durant of Cambridge to introduce a Bill, laid over from yesterday, to repeal sections 21, 22 and 23 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, prohibiting the giving of credit to students. The committee on Rules having reported that the bill came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Durant, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, was laid over until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Charles of Boston : —

Opinion of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral, — weaving.

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion to the House of Representatives in writing upon the question of law herewith submitted : Whether House Bill, No. 510, being an act to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving, a copy of which is hereto annexed, is or is not constitutional?

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

State Prison
officials, — ap-
pointment and
removal.

Relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston (Senate, No. 247) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court) ; and

Town of Whit-
man, — electric
light plant.

To authorize the town of Whitman to purchase land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric light plant and to furnish electric light to the last-named town (Senate, No. 255) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Retirement of
judges of
probate and
insolvency.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of the judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331), referred by the Senate to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System

of the Commonwealth, in which reference the House non-concurred, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its reference. On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438), passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the Senate with certain amendments, in which amendments the House non-concurred, came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments and asked for a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Southwick, Nutter and Merritt had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the House concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

A petition of the treasurer of the city of Chelsea that bonds, notes or scrip issued by said city in accordance with the provisions of chapter 248 of the Acts of the year 1891 be made payable not later than the 31st day of December in the year 1911, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

City of Chelsea,
— bonds.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Charles of Boston, from the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Rapid Transit Commission; also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to rapid transit; also the petition of William B. Mack and others for incorporation for building an elevated railway; also an order relative to providing for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies. (See House, No. 591.) (Messrs. Bennett of Everett and Bacheller of Lynn, of the House, dissenting.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Rapid transit.

William B.
Mack,—elevated
railway.

Horse and elec-
tric railroad
companies,—
annual money
tax.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory for the State Board of Health (Senate, No. 241) ought to pass.

State Board of
Health,—
laboratory.

State Primary
School at
Monson.

By Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson ought to pass, with the following amendment: Adding at the end the following words: "The above amount to be in addition to the ten thousand dollars authorized by chapter 49 of the Resolves of the present year." (House, No. 590.)

New England
Industrial
School for Deaf
Mutes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (Senate, No. 92) ought to pass. (Messrs. Sawyer of Danvers, of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and Shute of Malden, of the committee on Finance, dissenting.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Cape Cod Mari-
time Canal Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, May 24, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 446), was taken from the table. After debate, the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Rideout moved to amend by striking out in section 1 the names "Charles E. Coon, Lucien B. Stone, Theodore P. Dresser," and inserting in place thereof the names "John H. Cunningham, George W. Gale, Paul H. Kendricken;" also by striking out sections 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 of the bill, which amendments were severally adopted.

The same gentleman also moved to amend in section 2, line 13, by striking out the words "and in exchange for bonds of the Commonwealth."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Warren of Boston, the amendment was adopted.

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Charles of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 100 yeas to 87 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Allen, James E.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Baker, William G.
 Ball, George S.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Buck, Anson
 Buckley, William P.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Crane, George A.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George E.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dolan, William J.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Dyar, Perlie A.
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 George, Edwin H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.

Messrs. Golding, John
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Hoyt, Warren
 Jenks, George W.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lakin, James A.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.

Messrs. Sundberg, John F.
Toomey, Daniel P.
Turner, Edward E.

Messrs. Warren, Bentley W.
Wilder, Aaron O.
Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
Austin, J. Lewis
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barrett, Richard F.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Blodgett, Albert G.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Burnham, Lewis
Capen, Robert P.
Carter, James H.
Charles, Salem D.
Chester, Dwight
Clough, George S.
Coburn, Clarence G.
Connolly, Francis
Crosby, James P.
Crosman, Charles
Crowell, Elkanah
Cutler, George P.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Durant, William B.
Easland, John N.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fiske, Granville C.
Francis, Frank W.
French, Russell M.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Garfield, George H.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Gray, Joshua S.
Green, George H. B.
Hale, Charles H.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Healy, Lemuel
Hemenway, William H.
Hinds, John F.
Howard, S. Edward

Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus
Hyde, William S.
Jennings, Henry J.
Jennison, Henry J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Lawrence, William B.
Leonard, Mahlon R.
Lincoln, Stephen R.
Luther, William
Lyford, Edwin F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Melaven, James F.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Meyer, George v. L.
Newell, Richard
Nichols, DeWitt C.
Nourse, Andrew L.
Nye, Charles H.
Perkins, Augustus G.
Perkins, George W.
Potter, Samuel A.
Presho, Edward W.
Proctor, George O.
Quinn, Timothy F.
Read, Franklin F.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Rivers, George R. R.
Rockwell, Henry F.
Shute, Charles F.
Simonds, George R.
Smith, Sumner
Soule, George L.
Taft, Henry G.
Tucker, George F.
Wellman, Arthur H.
Whitcomb, N. Emery
Wolf, Bernard M.
Wood, Frank C.
Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 100 ; Nays, 87.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. O'Brien, John J.	Messrs. Roe, Alfred S.*
Ferren, Myron J.*	Dole, Eben S.
Breen, Daniel F.	Stickney, Clarence*
Fall, George*	Bachelor, Charles M.
Jackson, Charles T.*	Graham, John R.
Richmond, Silas P.	Jenkins, Robert B.*
Blodgett, Percival*	Ross, Samuel

* Present.

(Mr. McCall of Winchester was previously excused from voting on this question.)

On motion of Mr. Leonard of Waltham, the Bill relating to assessments for sewers in the city of Waltham City of Waltham, — sewers. (House, No. 346) was taken from the table, and was refused a third reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Everett, the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 576) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading. Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words " Provided said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State," was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Taxation of trust property.

Mr. Meyer moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to amend section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of trust property " (House, No. 593), which was read and substituted, and under a further suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes ;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections ; and

In relation to proof of claims under life policies and providing certain penalties ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor ;

Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ; and

Relating to the registration of voters ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; and

Providing for altering, improving, and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (which originated in the Senate) was put upon its final passage. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, on the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 109 yeas to 75 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge

Messrs. Austin, J. Lewis
Baker, William G.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barrett, Richard F.

Messrs. Bartlett, Lewis H.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Battles, David W.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Brigham, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Bryant, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Cutler, George P.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Delaney, Patrick
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Dole, Eben S.
Driscoll, John A.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Easland, John N.
Fairbanks, Edward
Fallon, James O.
Ferren, Myron J.
Fiske, Granville C.
Francis, Frank W.
French, Russell M.
Friend, George H.
Galloupe, George A.
Garfield, George H.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Giles, Joseph J.
Golding, John
Graham, John R.
Gray, Joshua S.
Hall, Henry C.
Halley, Dennis E.
Harding, N. Frank
Hart, William H.

Messrs. Healy, Lemuel
Heffernan, Edward J.
Hemenway, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hoar, John J.
Holmes, Charles H.
Hoyt, Warren
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Kelly, Charles A.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Howard G.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Leonard, Mahlon R.
Low, Emery M.
Luby, Patrick B.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McCarthy, Daniel
McLean, Isaac
McLoughlin, John T.
Melaven, James F.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Oakes, William H.
O'Neil, Eugene J.
Parker, James O.
Potter, Samuel A.
Presho, Edward W.
Quinn, Thomas A.
Richardson, Albert W.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Rideout, Malcolm E.
Rivers, George R. R.
Ross, Samuel
Ruggles, Henry E.
Sparhawk, Henry C.
Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Sundberg, John F.
Tucker, George F.
Turner, Edward E.
Wolf, Bernard M.
Wood, Frank C.
Woodsum, B. Herbert
Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Ball, George S.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Percival
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Buck, Anson
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Louis M.
 Clough, George S.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Fall, George
 Fay, James M.
 Gallup, William W.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Howe, S. Augustus

Messrs. Hyde, William S.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Proctor, George O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Soule, George L.
 Stickney, Clarence
 Taft, Henry G.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery

Yeas, 109 ; Nays, 75.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*
 Warren, Bentley W.*
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Ackley, Edward W.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Sprague, Charles F.
 Durant, William B.*
 Hopewell, John, Jr.

Messrs. O'Brien, John J.
Mooney, William L.*
Savage, Patrick J.
Toomey, Daniel P.*

Messrs. Wilder, Aaron O.*
Meyer, George v. L.
Horton, Everett S.*
Fletcher, J. Henry

• Present.

The bill was signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court, and to provide for clerk hire and incidental expenses (Senate, No. 109) ; Orders of the day.

To authorize the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School (Senate, No. 236) ;

Relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (Senate, No. 237) ; and

To amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (Senate, No. 10) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming (Senate No. 125) was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 3, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to define the powers and duties of cities and towns authorized to supply their inhabitants with water (House, No. 580), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. After debate, the bill was referred to the next General Court, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford.

The Bill relating to the terms of office of mayors of cities (Senate, No. 232) was read a second time and considered, and after debate, was referred to the next General Court, on motion of Mr. Presheo of Boston, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, at seventeen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules :—

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

By Mr. Anderson of Cambridge, remonstrances of Branch 535 and Branch 381, Order of the Iron Hall of Cambridge ; by Mr. Horton of Attleborough, remonstrance of George F. Goe and other members of certain endowment orders of Attleborough and North Attleborough ; by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, remonstrance of Branch 851, Order of the Iron Hall of Holyoke ; and by Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, remonstrance of Fred M. Smith and other members of Branch 1,094, Order of the Iron Hall of South Hadley Falls, — severally, against the passage of the bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Town of
Braintree, —
water supply.

A petition, presented by Mr. Woodsum of Braintree, of the chairman of the water commissioners of Braintree for an amendment of chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Woodsum, the 12th joint rule was suspended by a vote of 54 to 7, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Order.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered :—

Opinion of the
Attorney-
General, —
weaving.

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion to the House of Representatives in writing upon the question of law herewith submitted : Whether House Bill, No. 510 [A], being “ An Act to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving,”

a copy of which is hereto annexed, is or is not constitutional?

Mr. Charles of Boston moved to amend at "A," by inserting the words "provided the pending amendments are adopted."

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford.

Previous to the adoption of the order, Mr. Charles offered the following amendments to the bill: in section 1, line 1, after the word "now," insert the words "or at any time hereafter;" also strike out lines 15 and 16 of section 1. There being no objection, the amendments were considered as pending to the bill in the orders of the day.

The following order, offered by Mr. Bennett of Everett, was considered:—

Ordered, That a committee of seven members of the House of Representatives be appointed to investigate immediately the reports that have been so prevalent during the past few days of bribery or attempted bribery of members of the Legislature, to induce them to refer the so-called "Endowment Bill" to the next General Court; which committee shall have authority to administer oaths, to send for persons and papers, and to employ a stenographer and report in print.

Special committee of investigation,—fraternal beneficiary corporations,—Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company.

Mr. Bennett moved to amend the order by adding at the end thereof the words "also, that the same committee have similar powers respecting the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Bill."

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by adding the words "And be it further ordered that said committee have full powers to investigate any other rumors, reports or allegations relating to the legislation of 1892 which they may deem advisable."

Mr. Chance of Boston moved to amend by adding the words "And that said committee be instructed to report not later than Wednesday next."

After debate, the amendments were severally adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted. Subsequently the Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the committee: Messrs. Gillett of Springfield, Lawrence of Medford, Dyar of Boston, Nickerson of Chatham, Rivers of Milton, McEvoy of Lowell and Daley of Lynn.

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

Fire District No.
1 of Webster.

To establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (Senate, No. 224) (reported on a petition) ; and

Trustees of the
Hospital Cot-
tages for
Children.

Relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children (Senate, No. 248) (substituted, in part, for a report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

A Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 253) (new draft of a House bill with the same title) (House, No. 552), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Ballot Law
Commission.

The House Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission (House, No. 539), came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, to wit: striking out, in section 1, lines 1 to 5, inclusive, the words "Section five of chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby amended so as to read as follows: *Sect. 5;*" also by striking out, in line 7, the word "said;" also by inserting, in line 7, after the word "thirteen," the words "of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine;" also by inserting, after section 2, the following new section: "*Sect. 3.* Section five of chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby repealed;" also in the title by striking out the words "to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the acts of the year 1890."

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Charles River
Improvement
Commission.

A Resolve (introduced on leave in the Senate) providing for the leasing of a room for the use of the Charles River Improvement Commission came down referred to the committee on State House, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. The House refused to concur with the Senate

in the suspension of the rule, and the resolve was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court, and notice was sent to the Senate.

A petition of the Tufts Memorial Association that the commissioners on the State House may be authorized to assign a suitable place in the State House to a marble bust of the late Gardiner Tufts, to be furnished by said association, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Gardiner Tufts.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the message from the Governor relative to the transportation of Vermont prisoners through this Commonwealth, a Bill authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners through Massachusetts. (House, No. 594.) Read and ordered to a second reading. Transportation
of Vermont
prisoners
through the
Commonwealth.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the reports :
Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petitions of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment to the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor ; and Lien.

On the petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others for Lynn in aid of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection shall be given to material that is now given to labor ; Id.

Were severally taken from the table, and were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On further motion of Mr. Olmstead, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material, was taken from the table, and was accepted, in concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Corrupt
practices
in elections.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses (Senate, No. 212) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend, in section 23, by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "January, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three," and inserting in place thereof the words "August, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

After debate, the question was first put on allowing the words "January, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three," to remain in the bill, which was rejected, and the amendment moved by Mr. Mellen was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Gas corpora-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Olmstead of Boston, the Bill to amend section 11 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, relating to corporations for the making of gas (House, No. 588), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of the following amendments: striking out the first three lines; also striking out all after the word "supply," in line 33, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Said company shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be formed under and governed by the provisions of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes."

Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved to amend by striking out, in lines 9, 10 and 11, the words "as provided for in chapter three hundred and fourteen, section ten, of the acts of eighteen hundred and eighty-five;" also in lines 18 and 19 by striking out the words "gas and electric light commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "board of aldermen;" also in line 24 by striking out the words "seventy-five cents," and inserting in place thereof the words "one dollar."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so as to read "Bill relating to corporations for the manufacture of gas."

On motion of Mr. Richmond of Abington, the Bill to authorize the town of Whitman to purchase land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric light plant and to furnish electric light to the last-named town (Senate, No. 255) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Town of Whitman,—electric light plant.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (House, No. 590) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

State Primary School at Monson.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Rapid Transit Commission; also on so much of the Governor's address as relates to rapid transit; also the petition of William C. Mack and others for incorporation for building an elevated railway; also an order relative to providing for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies (House, No. 591), was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension (House, No. 574);

Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 245);

Providing for an additional trial justice in Dukes County (House, No. 585);

To enable certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes (House, No. 534); and

Relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston (Senate, No. 247); and the

Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (Senate, No. 235);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies, was further considered.

Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to authorize regularly organized bodies of the Sons of Veterans Guards to parade in public" (House, No. 586).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 95 to 54, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 576) was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to amend, in section 1, line 1, by inserting, after the word "organized," the words "solely under the laws of the Commonwealth."

Mr. Fiske of Ashland moved to amend in section 1, line 10, by inserting, after the word "called," the following: "Providing that within sixty days after the passage of this act, if ninety per cent. of the members of any one or more of the orders shall petition the Insurance Commissioner to allow their order to continue business, then this act shall not affect such order."

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 8, as follows:—

"*Sect. 8.* Every corporation or association organized under the laws of another State, and now doing business in this Commonwealth under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, which has undertaken to pay to members or certificate holders or to their families benefits at the end of fixed periods of time, as provided for in section 8 of said act, shall on the passage of this act cease

to issue any new certificates or receive any new members within this Commonwealth; *provided, however*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the rights or the interests of persons who are now members of the said corporations or associations."

Mr. Dodge of Natick moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that debate on the bill and pending amendments be closed at three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Parker of Methuen moved that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. The question was first put on the more remote time, and the motion of Mr. Parker was lost. The motion of Mr. Rosnosky was then adopted.

After debate, the amendments were severally rejected.

On the question on the motion of Mr. Dodge of Natick to refer the bill to the next General Court, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Dodge, and the roll being called the motion was adopted by a vote of 108 yeas to 95 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Barney, Benjamin B.
Barstow, Thomas
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bates, Jacob P.
Battles, David W.
Bessom, Eugene A.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Bliss, Frederic W.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Buck, Anson
Buckley, William P.
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Clark, Edward P.

Messrs. Clark, Louis M.
Clayton, Horace E.
Clough, George S.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crane, George A.
Crosby, James P.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Cutler, George P.
Dacey, Charles M.
Daley, Edward L.
Danforth, John M.
Dennis, William D.
Dodge, Edgar S.
Dolan, William J.
Driscoll, John A.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fallon, James O.
Ferrer, Myron J.
Fiske, Granville C.
Francis, Frank W.
Garfield, George H.
Giles, Joseph J.
Golding, John
Harris, Charles E.

Messrs. Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Hoyt, Warren
 Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac

Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 Olmstead, James M.
 O'Neill, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Prescho, Edward W.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Turner, Edward E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Baker, William G.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crosman, Charles

Messrs. Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Durant, William B.
 Fall, George
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.

Messrs. Harding, N. Frank	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hemenway, William H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Proctor, George O.
Hinds, John F.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Hobson, Charles H.	Read, Franklin F.
Howard, George C.	Rivers, George R. R.
Howard, S. Edward	Rockwell, Henry F.
Hyde, William S.	Roe, Alfred S.
Jenks, George W.	Rugg, George H.
Jennison, Henry J.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Shute, Charles F.
Lawrence, William B.	Simonds, George R.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Smith, James B.
Loud, John C.	Smith, Sumner
Low, Emery M.	Soule, George L.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Stickney, Clarence
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Taft, Henry G.
McCall, Samuel W.	Toomey, Daniel P.
McEvoy, John W.	Tucker, George F.
McLoughlin, John T.	Warren, Bentley W.
Melaven, James F.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Mellen, James H.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Wood, Frank C.
Newell, Richard	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Woodward, Amos P.
Norton, John H.	

Yeas, 108; Nays, 95.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced:—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Wilder, Aaron O.*	Messrs. Blodgett, Percival
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Wellman, Arthur H.*
O'Brien, John J.	Nourse, Andrew L.*
Pratt, Amasa	Clark, Hiram E. W.*
Anderson, Stephen*	Meyer, George v. L.
Fay, James M.	Larkin, Erastus D.*
Delaney, Patrick	Morse, Stillman F.*

* Present.

Mr. Bennett of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was referred to the next General Court, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Bill to amend an act to authorize the Great Barrington Fire District to take or purchase the franchise

and property of the Great Barrington Water Company (House, No. 538) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, referred to the next General Court.

The Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (House, No. 554) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Gilbride of Boston moved to amend, in section 12, line 5, by striking out the words "member of the bar," and inserting in place thereof the word "person;" also, in line 30 of the same section, by adding the words "but not exceeding one thousand dollars per annum;" also, in section 13, by striking out lines 9, 10 and 11; also, in line 17 of the same section, by striking out the words "and depositing the amount of;" also in the same section by striking out lines 18 and 19; also in the same section by striking out lines 26 to 30, inclusive; also in section 15, line 1, by inserting, after the word "no," the words "building shall be hereafter erected or altered and no;" also in section 87 by striking out lines 14 to 20, inclusive; also by striking out section 91; also, in section 125, line 2, by inserting, after the word "he," the words "is a plumber and;" also, in section 129, line 2, by striking out the word "by," and inserting in place thereof the words "in the presence of;" also, in section 130, line 16, by striking out the word "through," and inserting in place thereof the word "above;" also, in section 130, line 21, by inserting, after the word "and," the word "all;" also, in the same line, by inserting after the word "horizontal," the words "or vertical;" also, in section 133, line 1, by inserting after the word "of," the words "each and;" also, in line 4 of the same section, by inserting before the word "trap," the word "separate;" also, in section 141, line 6, by inserting before the word "use," the words "erection, alteration."

Mr. Wood of Boston moved to amend in section 10, lines 2 and 3, by striking out the words "or of the board of appeal hereinafter provided;" also by striking out sections 12, 13 and 14; also in section 71 by inserting after the word "observation" the words "or any other;" also in line 2 of the same section, by inserting after the word "constructed" the word "maintained;" also by striking out sections 91 and 116; also in section 117 by

striking out all of said section after the word "inspector" in line 5; also in section 119 by striking out all of said section after the words "night watchmen" in line 11; also in section 123 by striking out all after the word "same" in line 17; also by striking out section 124; also in section 130, line 16, by striking out the word "through" and inserting in place thereof the word "above."

Mr. Clough of Worcester moved to amend by striking out sections 21, 22, 23 and 24, and inserting in place thereof a new section, to be numbered section 21, as follows: "*Sect. 21.* The city council of said city may by ordinance make such requirements, in addition to those contained in this act, as they may deem expedient in relation to the erection and alteration of wooden buildings outside the building limits."

Pending the several amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Baker moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow. Mr. Meyer of Boston moved to amend the motion by adding the words "to be placed first in the orders of the day." The amendment was adopted, and the motion, as amended, was adopted, and the bill was accordingly so postponed.

The Bill to supply the town of Webster with pure water (House, No. 532) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to supply the town of Webster with water" (House, No. 550).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the bill moved as an amendment was substituted by a vote of 80 to 59, and on motion of Mr. Hinds, the rule was suspended, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

The Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston (Senate, No. 243) was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, at twenty-three minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinion of the Attorney-General.

The following communication, received from the Attorney-General, was read and placed on file : —

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
COMMONWEALTH BUILDING, BOSTON, June 9, 1892.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Opinion of the
Attorney-
General, —
fines for
imperfect
weaving.

As requested by the honorable House, in its order of 7th inst., I respectfully submit my opinion of the constitutionality of House Bill, No. 510, entitled "An Act to prohibit the deduction of the wages of employees engaged at weaving," with the pending amendments.

In the light of the recent decision of the supreme court under chapter 125 of the Acts of 1891, it may be assumed that it is within the power of the Legislature to prohibit the direct imposition of a fine by an employer for imperfect work, and that it is beyond the legislative power to prevent an employer from protecting himself by contract against the liability to pay as much for imperfect as for perfect work.

Section 1 of the present bill appears to consist of three separate, or separable, propositions: First, the grading system shall not affect or lessen the weaver's wages unless the imperfection arises from his carelessness or wilful neglect; second, in no case shall the weaver's wages be affected, by fine or otherwise, unless the alleged imperfection is pointed out to him; and third, no fine shall be imposed for imperfect weaving unless the above provisions are complied with.

The first of these propositions is broad enough to forbid, and seems designed to forbid, any reduction or diminution of the weaver's wages, by contract or otherwise, except for imperfections due to his carelessness or wilful neglect. I find no ground in the recent decision of the court on which a distinction can be maintained between imperfections due to the weaver's carelessness or neglect, and those that may arise without carelessness or neglect. The court seems to hold that it is beyond the power of the Legislature to prevent the employer from pro-

tecting himself by contract against the requirement or the liability to pay for imperfect work the price of good work, without reference to the question how the defects in the work arise.

The second clause, taken by itself, does not interfere with the power of the employer to reduce or withhold the wages of the weaver, by fine or otherwise, except by annexing to its exercise the condition that the alleged imperfections in the work shall be pointed out to the weaver. This is merely a regulation, and apparently a reasonable regulation, of the exercise of the right of the employer to protect himself against the consequences of imperfect work.

The third clause, that no fine shall be imposed except under certain circumstances, appears to me to be free of doubt as to its constitutionality, as the Legislature may apparently prohibit the imposition of a fine under any circumstances.

In my opinion, therefore, that part of the bill which provides that the grading system shall not affect or lessen the wages of the weaver, except in case of imperfections arising from his carelessness or wilful neglect, must now be regarded as open to objection on constitutional grounds. Except to this extent, I do not think the bill can be said to exceed the power of the Legislature.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. PILLSBURY,
Attorney-General.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

By Mr. Bennett of Everett, petition of Lucien Lord and 70 others of Athol in aid of the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

By Mr. Clark of Palmer, remonstrance of Branch 681 of the Order of the Iron Hall at Palmer against the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations.

Id.

A petition, presented by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, of F. A. Hill and others of Stoneham that said town may be enabled to aid in the construction of a street railway company, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Ferren, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Stoneham,—
street railway.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, —

Special committee on investigation of alleged bribery or attempted bribery of members.

Ordered, That the special committee appointed to investigate the reports of bribery or attempted bribery of members of the Legislature in connection with matters of legislation be authorized to sit during the sessions of the House.

Committees of Conference Appointed.

Committee of conference, — safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Howard of Newton, Blodgett of Templeton and O'Neil of Chicopee as the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches on the Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Retirement of judges of probate and insolvency.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Durant of Cambridge and Warren of Boston as the committee of conference on the matter of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Papers from the Senate.

Executive boards and officers.

A report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton (Senate, No. 250) ; and

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 254) ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Volunteer militia.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 493), passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the Senate, with certain amendments, in which amendments the House non-concurred, came down with the endorse-

ment that the Senate insisted on its amendments. On motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the House insisted on its non-concurrence, and asked for a committee of conference. The Speaker appointed Messrs. Parker of Boston, Crosby of Worcester and Kilduff of Holyoke as the committee, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A petition of John W. Coveney that an annuity may be granted to Margaret McDonald, widow of Owen McDonald, who was injured while in the employ of the Commonwealth, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Margaret McDonald.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to authorize the town of Whitman to purchase land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric plant and to furnish electric light to the last-named town (Senate, No. 255). After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 55 to 55.

Town of Whitman, — electric light plant.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, the Bill to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension (House, No. 574) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

State House extension.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants ; and

Bills enacted.

To provide for the establishment of city governments ; (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the State printing (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more stringent legislation on the subject of admission of children to shows and places of amusement; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the general agent of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for an amendment of the law relating to the attendance of children at shows, so that children under sixteen may be excluded when not attended by an older person;

Were severally accepted.

Bills :

Relating to transient lodging-houses (House, No. 575);

Authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners through Massachusetts (House, No. 594); and

Relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children (Senate, No. 348); and the

Resolve providing for a tool-house and for rebuilding the Durfee plant house at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 228);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways (Senate, No. 209) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries (House, No. 536); and

Providing for an additional trial justice in Dukes County (House, No. 585);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses (Senate, No. 212); and the

Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (Senate, No. 235) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the next General Court the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 576), was considered.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Nickerson of Chatham, and the roll being called, the motion to lay on the table was lost by a vote of 89 yeas to 101 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Ashley, Henry W.

Ball, George S.

Barrett, Richard F.

Barrows, Hiram W.

Bartlett, Robert G.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bessom, Eugene A.

Blanchard, S. Stillman

Blodgett, Albert G.

Bourne, Franklin C.

Brewer, Edward S.

Brigham, William H.

Brown, Benjamin F.

Brown, Samuel J.

Buck, Anson

Burnham, Lewis

Capen, Robert P.

Carter, James H.

Chester, Dwight

Clark, Hiram E. W.

Clark, Louis M.

Coburn, Clarence G.

Crosman, Charles

Crowell, Elkanah

Cutler, George E.

Daley, Edward L.

Dyar, Perlle A.

Easland, John N.

Fletcher, J. Henry

Galloupe, George A.

Gallup, William W.

Gardner, Arthur H.

Messrs. George, Edwin H.

Gillett, Ransom W.

Gray, Joshua S.

Green, George H. B.

Hale, Charles H.

Hall, Henry C.

Harding, N. Frank

Hemenway, William H.

Hevey, Thomas D.

Hinds, John F.

Hobson, Charles H.

Horton, Everett S.

Howard, George C.

Howard, S. Edward

Hyde, William S.

Jenks, George W.

Jewett, Gilbert L.

Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.

Lawrence, William B.

Leonard, Mahlon R.

Loud, John C.

Lyford, Edwin F.

Mayhew, Ulysses E.

McCall, Samuel W.

McLoughlin, John T.

Melaven, James F.

Mellen, James H.

Meyer, George v. L.

Moriarty, Eugene M.

Morse, Stillman F.

Newell, Richard

Nichols, DeWitt C.

Norton, John H.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE,

Messrs.Nourse, Andrew L.	Messrs.Smith, James B.
Perkins, Augustus G.	Smith, Sylvanus
Proctor, George O.	Stickney, Clarence
Read, Franklin F.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	Taft, Henry G.
Rivers, George R. R.	Tucker, George F.
Rockwell, Henry F.	Warren, Bentley W.
Roe, Alfred S.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Rosnosky, Isaac	Winslow, George S.
Rugg, George H.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Ruggles, Henry E.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Shute, Charles F.	

NAYS.

Messrs.Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs.Driscoll, John A.
Anderson, Stephen	Fairbanks, Edward
Andrews, Miles S.	Fallon, James O.
Atwood, Edward B.	Ferren, Myron J.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Fiske, Granville C.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Francis, Frank W.
Barney, Benjamin B.	French, Russell M.
Barstow, Thomas	Garfield, George H.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Gilbride, Michael B.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Giles, Joseph J.
Bates, Jacob P.	Golding, John
Battles, David W.	Harris, Charles E.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Hart, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Heald, Joseph B.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Healy, Lemuel
Bryant, Charles H.	Heffernan, Edward J.
Burbank, Roland E.	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Burke, James F.	Hoar, John J.
Cannon, William	Holmes, Charles H.
Casey, Joseph J.	Hooker, Charles H.
Chance, Charles J.	Hoyt, Warren
Clark, Edward P.	Jackson, Charles T.
Clayton, Horace E.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Clough, George S.	Jennings, Henry J.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Connolly, Francis	Keliher, Thomas J.
Crane, George A.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Crosby, James P.	Lakin, James A.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Cutler, George P.	Lawrence, Amos A.
Dacey, Charles M.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Danforth, John M.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Delaney, Patrick	Low, Emery M.
Dennis, William D.	Luby, Patrick B.
Dodge, Edgar S.	Luther, William
Dole, Eben S.	Lynch, John B.

Messrs. McAnally, Frank	Messrs. Presho, Edward W.
McLean, Isaac	Quinn, Thomas A.
McSolla, Richard F.	Richardson, Albert W.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Mooney, William L.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Nickerson, Osborn	Sawyer, Ira O.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Nye, Charles H.	Soule, George L.
Oakes, William H.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Olmstead, James M.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Parker, James O.	Sundberg, John F.
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Turner, Edward E.
Perkins, George W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Potter, Samuel A.	Wood, Frank C.
Pratt, Amasa	

Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 101.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Durant, William B.*	Messrs. McCarthy, Daniel
McEvoy, John W.*	Dolan, William J.
Gillett, Frederick H.*	Powers, Wilbur H.
Wellman, Arthur H.*	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Halley, Dennis E.*	O'Brien, John J.
Larkin, Erastus D.*	Fay, James M.

• Present.

After further debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on reconsideration, at the request of Mr. Parkhurst of Clinton. Previous to the call of the roll, Mr. Bennett of Everett raised a point of order and questioned the right, under House Rule 62, of Messrs. Olmstead of Boston and Giles of Somerville to vote, and stated that they were officers of corporations which would be affected by the pending legislation, and that their private interests were immediately concerned in the measure distinct from the public interest. Point of order.

The Speaker ruled that the time to question the right of a member to vote was after the roll had been called and the votes recorded.

The roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 81 yeas to 111 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hinds, John F.
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Jenks, George W.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.

Messrs. Larkin, Erastus D.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Loud, John C.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McLoughlin, John T.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Proctor, George O.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Smith, Sumner
 Stickney, Clarence
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Taft, Henry G.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Tucker, George F.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Winslow, George S.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Anderson, Stephen
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Baker, William G.

Messrs. Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barstow, Thomas
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Battles, David W.

Messrs. Bessom, Eugene A.

Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buck, Anson
 Buckley, William P. .
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Cannon, William
 Capen, Robert P.
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crane, George A.
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Cutler, George P.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Danforth, John M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Garfield, George H.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.

Messrs. Hoyt, Warren

Jackson, Charles T.
 Jenkins, Robert B.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lawrence, Amos A.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Luther, William
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Nye, Charles H.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Perkins, George W.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Pratt, Amasa
 Presho, Edward W.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Soule, George L.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wood, Frank C.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Gillett, Frederick H.*	Messrs. Powers, Wilbur H.
Durant, William B.*	Breen, Daniel F.
McEvoy, John W.*	Dolan, William J.
Hevey, Thomas D.*	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Savage, Patrick J.	Golding, John*
Wellman, Arthur H.*	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hyde, William S.*	Bates, Jacob P.
Appleton, Francis H.	Ball, George S.*
Blodgett, Percival	Clark, Louis M.*
Sprague, Charles F.	Quinn, Thomas A.*

* Present.

The Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston (Senate, No. 243), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Low of Brockton, the bill was refused a third reading, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (House, No. 554) was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, the pending amendments moved by Mr. Wood of Boston were severally rejected. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Gilbride of Boston were severally adopted.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Clough of Worcester, as modified by that gentleman, was adopted, to wit: Strike out sections 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, and insert in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 22.* The city council of said city may by ordinance make such requirements, in addition to those contained in this act, as they may deem expedient in relation to the erection and alteration of wooden buildings outside the building limits."

The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and there being no objection, on motion of Mr. Presho of

Boston the bill was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries (Senate, No. 112) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each member and the number of shares held by each one, was, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to regulate the sale of commercial feed stuffs (House, No. 589) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived by a vote of 39 to 58, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further internments therein (Senate, No. 121), was read a second time and considered. After debate, the amendments recommended by the committee on the Judiciary were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Lawrence of Medford moved to amend by inserting two new sections, to be numbered sections 3 and 4, as follows:—

“*Sect. 3.* In all cases where any dwelling-house or other building or property, real or personal, shall be destroyed, within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consequence of any mob or riot, it shall be lawful for the person or persons, including therein corpora-

tions, public or private, interested in and owning such property, to bring suit against the city or town where such property was situated, for the recovery of the damages sustained, by reason of the destruction thereof; and the amount which shall be recovered in said action shall be paid out of the treasury of the city or town as soon as said damages are fixed and ascertained. But no person or persons, or corporation, shall be entitled to the benefits of this act, if it shall appear that the destruction of his, their or its property was caused by his, their or its illegal conduct; nor unless it be made to appear that he or they, upon knowledge had of the intention or attempt to destroy his, their or its property, or to collect a mob for such purpose, and sufficient time intervening to permit notice to have been given, gave notice thereof to a constable, justice of the peace, alderman or selectman of the city or town in which such property may be situated, or to the sheriff of said county; and it shall be the duty of said sheriff, alderman, selectman, constable or justice, upon the receipt of such notice, to take all legal means to protect said property so attacked or threatened to be attacked; and if the sheriff, alderman, selectman, constable or justice of the peace, upon the receipt of such notice, or upon knowledge of such attack or intended riot or disturbance, shall neglect or refuse to perform his duties in the premises, he or they so neglecting or refusing shall be liable for the damage done to such property, to be recovered by an action of tort, and shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office; and on conviction thereof, by the proper court, his office shall thereupon become vacant: *provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the person or persons, or corporations, whose property is injured or destroyed from having and maintaining his, their or its action against all and every person engaged or participating in said riot or mob, to recover full damages for any injury sustained; and *provided, further*, that no damages shall be recovered by the party injured against any of said rioters, for the same injury for which compensation shall be made by the city or town.

“Sect. 4. It shall be lawful for the mayor and aldermen of any city, or the selectmen of any town, against which damages shall be recovered under the provisions of this act, to bring a suit or suits in the

name of the city or town against any or all persons engaged or in any manner participating in said mob or riot or against any sheriff, alderman, selectman, justice of the peace or other officer charged with the maintenance of the public peace, who may by neglect of duty be liable to the provisions of this act, for the recovery of all damages, costs and expenses incurred by said city or town; and said suits shall not abate or fail by reason of too many or too few parties, defendants, being named therein, but the same shall, to all intents and purposes, be treated as actions of tort for trespass brought by the owner of such property."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the following subjects: Inspection of Fish and other articles; Tables and Indexes relating to the Statutes; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods; State Board of Lunacy and Charity; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations; Commissioners of Public Works; Trustees of Public Institutions, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party (House, No. 571) was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Olmstead of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost. After debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 48 to 33.

The next matter in the orders of the day was called, and Mr. Sullivan of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum of the House was not present. A count showed that 113 members were present.

Point of order.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved that the roll be called. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Gillett, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 10 yeas to 97 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ball, George S.	Messrs. Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bardwell, Henry D.	Blodgett, Albert G.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Buck, Anson
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Burke, James F.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Perkins, Augustus G.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Gardner, Arthur H.
Allen, James E.	Garfield, George H.
Atwood, Edward B.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Austin, J. Lewis	Gillett, Ransom W.
Baker, William G.	Golding, John
Barstow, Thomas	Graham, John R.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Gray, Joshua S.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Green, George H. B.
Brigham, William H.	Hale, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.	Hall, Henry C.
Cannon, William	Harding, N. Frank
Capen, Robert P.	Harris, Charles E.
Carter, James H.	Hart, William H.
Chance, Charles J.	Hemenway, William H.
Charles, Salem D.	Holmes, Charles H.
Clark, Edward P.	Hooker, Charles H.
Connolly, Francis	Howard, S. Edward
Crane, George A.	Hyde, William S.
Crosman, Charles	Jenks, George W.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Jennings, Henry J.
Danforth, John M.	Jewett, Gilbert L.
Dennis, William D.	Keliber, Thomas J.
Driscoll, John A.	Lakin, James A.
Durant, William B.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Larkin, Erastus D.
Fairbanks, Edward	Lawrence, William B.
Fall, George	Lyford, Edwin F.
Fay, James M.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Ferren, Myron J.	McAnally, Frank
Fiske, Granville C.	McCall, Samuel W.
Fletcher, J. Henry	McCarthy, Daniel
Francis, Frank W.	McEvoy, John W.
Galloupe, George A.	McLean, Isaac
Gallup, William W.	McLoughlin, John T.

Messrs. Melaven, James F.	Messrs. Rivers, George R. R.
Merritt, Marcus M.	Savage, Patrick J.
Mooney, William L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Morse, Stillman F.	Simonds, George R.
Nickerson, Osborn	Smith, Sumner
Norton, John H.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Oakes, William H.	Sundberg, John F.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Perkins, George W.	Taft, Henry G.
Prescho, Edward W.	Turner, Edward E.
Quinn, Thomas A.	Warren, Bentley W.
Read, Franklin F.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Richardson, Albert W.	Wood, Frank C.
Richmond, Jeremiah T.	

Yeas, 10 ; Nays, 97.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Low, Emery M.	Messrs. Battles, David W.*
Crosman, Charles*	Hinds, John F.
Halley, Dennis E.	Tucker, George F.*
Mellen, James H.	Wolf, Bernard M.*

* Present.

At ten minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Gillett of Springfield had been appointed to preside. Mr. Gillett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Fraternal
beneficiary
corporations.

A petition, presented by Mr. Bennett of Everett, of Jordan, Marsh & Co. and C. F. Hovey and others in aid of the Bill to wind up the endowment business of fraternal beneficiary corporations, was placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules.

City of
Holyoke, —
reimbursement
for the support
of a State
pauper.

A petition, presented by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke, of the city of Holyoke that said city may be reimbursed for the amount expended by said city in the support of Margaret O'Donnell, a State pauper, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Buckley, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Town of
Arlington, —
water bonds.

A petition, presented by Mr. McCall of Winchester, of the selectmen of the town of Arlington that the town of Arlington may be authorized to issue additional water scrip or bonds, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. McCall, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Intoxicating
liquors, — inn-
holders and
common
victuallers.

A Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (Senate, No. 352) (being a new draft of a House Bill to restrict the sale of intoxi-

cating liquor by innholders and common victuallers) (House, No. 372); and a

Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 251) (being a new draft of a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate);

World's
Columbian
Exposition,—
road-making
exhibit.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill relative to the taking of lobsters (House, No. 583) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, to wit: striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words "for the purpose of carrying them," and inserting in place thereof the words "and carry them or cause them to be carried," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mayhew of Tisbury, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Lobsters.

The Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 222), passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the amendment at "A," inserting, in section 1, line 5, after the word "may," the words "within one year from the passage of this act," and non-concurred in the amendment at "B," inserting a new section, as follows:—

City of
Cambridge,—
water supply.

"Sect. 9. The city of Cambridge shall not pay any taxes on property taken and held under the provisions of section one of this act, but shall annually pay to any other city or town in which any lands so held are situated an amount of money equal to twelve dollars on every one thousand dollars of the average of the assessed valuation of such lands without buildings for the three years next preceding such taking, the valuation for each year being first reduced by the amount of all abatements allowed thereon."

Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being "Shall the House recede from its amendment at 'B'?"

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Oakes of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, under section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, a report on the condition of the State arsenal

State arsenal
and camp
ground at South
Framingham.

and camp ground at South Framingham. (House, No. 596.) Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Corrupt
practices in
elections.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses (Senate, No. 212), was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. McCall moved to amend, in section 6, line 5, by inserting, after the word "principle," the words "in a public election," which amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, and in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

Discharged from the Orders.

City of
Brockton, —
grade crossings.

On motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, the Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 254) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply ;

Authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company ; and

Making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge and Chelsea Bridge Avenue in the city of Boston ; and

To amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals ; and

Providing for the purchase of land and buildings, and for the construction of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

A Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage. After debate the House refused to pass the bill to be enacted, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory for the State Board of Health (Senate, No. 241) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (House, No. 554) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Presho of Boston.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this Commonwealth, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each member

and the number of shares held by each one, was further considered. Mr. Moriarty of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the words "it is inexpedient to legislate thereon," and inserting in place thereof the words "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court." The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Point of order.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved the previous question, pending which motion, Mr. McLoughlin of Milford raised the point of order that the pending amendment moved by Mr. Lawrence of Medford was broader in its scope than the order upon which the bill was based. Pending the point of order, the bill was postponed for further consideration until Monday, there being no objection.

The Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (Senate, No. 92) was read a second time and considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the roll being called, the resolve was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 109 yeas to 71 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, James E.

Anderson, Stephen
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Barrows, Hiram W.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Bartlett, Robert G.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blodgett, Albert G.
Brewer, Edward S.
Brock, Lemuel M.

Messrs. Brogan, Patrick F.

Bryant, Charles H.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Clark, Edward P.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clayton, Horace E.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Coburn, Clarence G.

Messrs. Connolly, Francis
 Crozman, Charles
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Daley, Edward L.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fletcher, J. Henry
 French, Russell M.
 Friend, George H.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Golding, John
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Halley, Dennis E.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Harris, Charles E.
 Hart, William H.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernin, Patrick J.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hyde, William S.
 Keliher, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lakin, James A.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lowe, William W.

Messrs. Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, Sylvanus
 Sparhawk, Henry C.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wilder, Aaron O.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barstow, Thomas

Messrs. Bates, Jacob P.
 Bessom, Eugene A.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Buck, Anson

Messrs. Burnham, Lewis	Messrs. Lawrence, Amos A.
Capen, Robert P.	Lawrence, William B.
Clough, George S.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Crane, George A.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Crowell, Elkanah	Lyford, Edwin F.
Danforth, John M.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Durant, William B.	Nickerson, Osborn
Fairbanks, Edward	Nourse, Andrew L.
Fall, George	Nye, Charles H.
Fiske, Granville C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Francis, Frank W.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Gallup, William W.	Perkins, George W.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Potter, Samuel A.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Proctor, George O.
Green, George H. B.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Hall, Henry C.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Hooker, Charles H.	Roe, Alfred S.
Horton, Everett S.	Ross, Samuel
Howard, George C.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Howard, S. Edward	Smith, James B.
Howe, S. Augustus	Smith, Sumner
Hoyt, Warren	Soule, George L.
Jenks, George W.	Stickney, Clarence
Jennings, Henry J..	Taft, Henry G.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Tucker, George F.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Lane, Howard G.	Wood, Frank C.
Larkin, Erastus D.	

Yeas, 109 ; Nays, 71.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.	NAY.
Mr. Pratt, Amasa	Mr. Shute, Charles F.*

* Present.

The Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving (House, No. 510) was read a third time and considered.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Charles of Boston, to strike out lines 15 and 16 of section 1, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The remaining pending amendment moved by Mr. Charles, inserting in section 1, line 1, after the word

"now," the words "or at any time hereafter," was adopted.

The same gentleman moved to further amend by striking out in section 1, lines 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, the words "those engaged at weaving unless the imperfections in weaving arise from the carelessness or wilful neglect of those engaged in weaving and whose wages are to be affected thereby," and inserting in place thereof the words "a weaver, except for imperfections in his own work."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 592) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Lakin of Westfield moved that the bill be laid on the table, which motion was lost.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend by adding at the end of section 4 the following: "There shall be expended in the actual construction of said canal prior to Dec. 1, 1892, at least twenty-five thousand dollars; and at least five hundred thousand cubic yards of excavation in the trunk of said canal shall be made prior to Dec. 1, 1893."

Mr. Atwood of Plymouth moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "twenty-five" and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty;" also by adding at the end of the amendment the words "and upon failure to comply with the provisions of this section the charter shall be forfeited."

The amendments to the amendment were severally adopted, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Brewer of Springfield moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 27, as follows: "*Sect. 27.* The provisions of this act shall be void and of no effect whenever financial aid shall be asked in its favor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," which amendment was adopted.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, and the roll being called, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 59 yeas to 99 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Heffernin, Patrick J.
Allen, James E.	Hoar, John J.
Anderson, Stephen	Holmes, Charles H.
Andrews, Miles S.	Hooker, Charles H.
Ashley, Henry W.	Jenks, George W.
Atwood, Edward B.	Keliher, Thomas J.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Lakin, James A.
Barstow, Thomas	Loud, John C.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Battles, David W.	Low, Emery M.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Luby, Patrick B.
Brock, Lemuel M.	Lynch, John B.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Burke, James F.	McCarthy, Daniel
Casey, Joseph J.	McSolla, Richard F.
Chance, Charles J.	Mooney, William L.
Clark, Edward P.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Clayton, Horace E.	Parker, James O.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Dacey, Charles M.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Daley, Edward L.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Delaney, Patrick	Rosnosky, Isaac
Dennis, William D.	Smith, James B.
Driscoll, John A.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Fallon, James O.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Fay, James M.	Sundberg, John F.
Galloupe, George A.	Turner, Edward E.
Harris, Charles E.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Hart, William H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Burnham, Lewis
Austin, J. Lewis	Cannon, William
Baker, William G.	Capen, Robert P.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Carroll, Michael
Barney, Benjamin B.	Carter, James H.
Bartlett, Robert G.	Charles, Salem D.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Chester, Dwight
Bates, Jacob P.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Clough, George S.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Coburn, Clarence G.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Connolly, Francis
Blodgett, Albert G.	Crane, George A.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Crosman, Charles
Brewer, Edward S.	Crowell, Elkanah
Brown, Benjamin F.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Brown, Samuel J.	Dole, Eben S.

Messrs. Easland, John N.	Messrs. McEvoy, John W.
Fairbanks, Edward	McLoughlin, John T.
Fiske, Granville C.	Melaven, James F.
Fletcher, J. Henry	Merritt, Marcus M.
Francis, Frank W.	Morse, Stillman F.
French, Russell M.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Gallup, William W.	Nye, Charles H.
Gardner, Arthur H.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Garfield, George H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Perkins, George W.
Golding, John	Potter, Samuel A.
Graham, John R.	Presho, Edward W.
Gray, Joshua S.	Proctor, George O.
Green, George H. B.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Hale, Charles H.	Rivers, George R. R.
Hall, Henry C.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Harding, N. Frank	Roe, Alfred S.
Healy, Lemuel	Ruggles, Henry E.
Hemenway, William H.	Savage, Patrick J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hinds, John F.	Shute, Charles F.
Howard, George C.	Simonds, George R.
Howard, S. Edward	Smith, Sumner
Howe, S. Augustus	Soule, George L.
Hyde, William S.	Stickney, Clarence
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Kelly, Charles A.	Taft, Henry G.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Lawrence, William B.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Wood, Frank C.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	

Yeas, 59 ; Nays, 99.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Giles, Joseph J.*	Messrs. Lane, Howard G.
O'Brien, John J.*	Horton, Everett S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Richmond, Jeremiah T.*
Fall, George*	Bacheller, Charles M.
Danforth, John M.*	Pratt, Amasa

* Present.

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Messrs. Hoyt, Warren	Messrs. Jennings, Henry J.*
McLean, Isaac*	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Breen, Daniel F.	Gilbride, Michael B.*
Smith, Sylvanus*	Bessom, Eugene A.
Kilduff, Richard G.*	Jenkins, Robert B.
Moriarty, Eugene M.*	Durant, William B.

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Lyford of Springfield, at quarter before two o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, June 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Part II. of the thirty-seventh annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Insurance, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, — life, casualty and assessment insurance.

Petition Presented.

A petition, presented by Mr. Garfield of Brockton, of William H. Pease and other citizens of Brockton for legislation prohibiting the drawing off of the water of certain ponds in said city to such an extent as to be injurious to health, came from the committee on Rules with the statement that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Garfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

City of Brockton, — water in certain ponds.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Barrett of Concord, a Resolve in favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Barrett, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was referred to the committee on Public Service, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

Doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Question of Privilege.

Question of
privilege.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford rose to a question of privilege, and stated that on Friday last, on the question on passing to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 592), he was paired with a member who, through a misunderstanding, failed to announce the pair. Mr. Tucker further stated that had he been present he would have voted "no."

Papers from the Senate.

City of Chelsea,
—funded debt.

A Bill in relation to the time of payment of the funded debt of the city of Chelsea (Senate, No. 261) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Merritt of Chelsea, the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad,—
abolition of
certain grade
crossings.

A Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad (Senate, No. 249) (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of
Haverhill,—
water supply.

An engrossed Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill came down with the endorsement that it had been returned by the Governor to the Senate at its request; that its enactment had been reconsidered under a suspension of the rule, and that it had been amended at "A" by inserting the words "within five years from the passage of this act." On motions of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the rules were suspended, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, the House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following House bills:—

Duties of
sleeping-car
companies.

To further define the duties of sleeping-car companies (House, No. 348); and

Liens on build-
ings and land.

To amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (House, No. 437).

Also that the following House bill and House resolve had severally been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused in each case to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule :—

Bill (on leave) to repeal sections 21, 22 and 23 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, prohibiting the giving of credit to students; and the

Credit to students.

Resolve (on leave) relating to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

Notice was also received that the following House order had been indefinitely postponed by the Senate :—

Ordered, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows :—

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners,—
Boston Gas Company,—
Bay State Gas Company.

(1) As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

(2) As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

(3) As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers, and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding State printing and executing the contract for the same.

Joint special committee,—
State printing office.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Shute of Malden, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the aggregate of polls, property, taxes, etc. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge.

Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc.

Town of
Arlington,—
water supply.

By Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the improvement of the water works, water supply and water service of the town of Arlington. (House, No. 600.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McCall of Winchester, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of
Braintree,—
water supply.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree. (House, No. 601.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Battles, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Expense for the
support of
public schools.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill providing for a more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools. (House, No. 473.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Asylum for the
chronic insane.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (Senate, No. 253) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 599.) (Mr. Bartlett of Lowell dissenting.)

Town of Stone-
ham,—street
railway.

By Mr. Wilder of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to enable the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway. (House, No. 602.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Province lands
of Cape Cod.

By Mr. Jenkins of Wellfleet, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill for the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown, in the county of Barnstable (House, No. 598), ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Jenkins, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Credit com-
panies and
collection
bureaus.

By Mr. Coakley of Cambridge, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate and establish supervision of the business done by credit companies and collection bureaus (House, No. 513) ought to pass, with the following amendment, to wit:

adding at the end of section 4 the following: "Provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any *bona fide* organization of merchants who shall seek information for their mutual benefit." (Mr. Olmstead of Boston, of the House, dissenting.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Atwood of Plymouth moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company (House, No. 592). The same gentleman further moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, which motion was lost by a vote of 55 to 69. The motion to reconsider was then rejected.

Cape Cod Maritime Canal Company.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Kilduff of Holyoke, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, so as to confer exclusive and concurrent jurisdiction upon the supreme judicial and superior courts in winding up the affairs of such corporations, was taken from the table. The same gentleman moved that the report be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost by a vote of 46 to 63.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Mr. Kilduff moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to fraternal beneficiary corporations organized for the transaction of insurance upon the assessment plan" (House, No. 603), which was read, and after debate was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be

Park Street Congregational Church.

engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— construction
of highways.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the Bill relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 245) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State Board of
Health, —
laboratory.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer, the Resolve providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory for the State Board of Health (Senate, No. 241) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Municipal
lighting.

On motion of Mr. Coburn of Lowell, the Bill to enable certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes (House, No. 534) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Hall of Woburn moved to amend in section 2, line 16, by striking out the words "per cubic foot;" also in line 19, after the word "at," by inserting the words "not more than;" also in lines 28 to 32, inclusive, by striking out the words "three appraisers, one to be chosen by the city council, one by the manufacturing corporation and the third to be chosen by the other two, the award of two of the three appraisers," and inserting in place thereof the words "five appraisers to be chosen by the supreme court, the award."

Mr. Coburn moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 5, as follows:—

"*Sect. 5.* Any city which shall take advantage of the provisions of this act, after its ratification by the citizens thereof, as provided in section three of this act, shall first be obligated to purchase the property of any existing gas company in such city under the terms and conditions as provided for in chapter three hundred and seventy of the Acts of eighteen hundred and ninety-one."

Pending the amendments, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, the Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition (Senate, No. 251) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

World's
Columbian
Exposition,—
road-making
exhibit.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (Senate, No. 42) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston ;

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds ;

Relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply ; and

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the supreme judicial court, and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Whitman to purchase land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric light plant, and to furnish electric light to the last-named town ; and

To authorize the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Providing for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (which originated in the House) ; and

Providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Death of a Member.

Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury announced the death of Horace E. Miller of Conway, representative from the fourth Franklin district, and moved that a committee of five members of the House be appointed to attend the funeral and prepare resolutions in honor of the deceased. The motion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Hemenway of Shutesbury, Bourne of Savoy, Lyford of Springfield, Jennings of Worcester and Sullivan of Boston as the committee.

Thereupon, on further motion of Mr. Hemenway, at two minutes before three o'clock, by a rising vote, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Roe of Worcester, a Resolve relative to the observation of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Roe, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules : —

Concentrated commercial feed stuffs.

By Mr. Lakin of Westfield, remonstrance of More & Marston and other business firms of Springfield, Greenfield and Holyoke, against the passage of the Bill to regulate the sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs.

By Mr. Durant of Cambridge, remonstrance of A. S. J. Brown & Co. and others against any legislation prejudicial to the collecting and mercantile agency business.

Mercantile agencies.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, —

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion to the House of Representatives in writing upon the question of law herewith submitted : Whether Senate Bill, No. 121, being “ An Act to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein,” a copy of which is hereto annexed, is or is not constitutional.

Opinion of the Attorney-General, — Park Street Congregational Society in Boston.

Subsequently, the following communication was received from the Attorney-General, which was read and placed on file (House, No. 609) : —

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
COMMONWEALTH BUILDING, BOSTON, June 14, 1892.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

I am requested by the order of this date of the honorable House to give my opinion of the constitutionality of the bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein." I understand that the question arises out of that part of section 1 which provides that in the appraisal of the damages for the taking of the tombs and rights of interment by the society, the measure of damages shall be the cost of a burial lot and tomb in Forest Hills or Mount Auburn cemetery, with the expense of the removal and re-interment of bodies therein.

In this, as in all cases of the taking of private property for a public use, or upon grounds of the public benefit, the property owner is entitled to a trial by jury of the question of his damages. By express provision of the bill of rights, he is entitled to "reasonable compensation," and by the general rule of law which governs the assessment of damages in such cases, he is entitled to the fair value of the property taken; and he is entitled to have this ascertained by and according to the judgment of the jury, under the rules of law. Otherwise he has only the form, without the substance, of trial by jury. The necessary effect of the bill, if allowed to operate, is to confine the jury, in assessing the damages for the taking of the property, to the cost of another piece of property, which is apparently treated by the bill as a substitute and equivalent for the rights and property taken, but which may be more or less. If the bill can be taken only as prescribing a rule for the assessment of damages, it prescribes a special rule for a single case, which of itself is objectionable. In my opinion, the provision in question must be regarded as an impairment of the constitutional right of trial by jury, if it is not also a violation of the uniformity required in such legislation, and an invasion by the Legislature of the province of the judiciary.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. PILLSBURY,
Attorney-General.

Change in a Committee.

Mr. Sullivan of Boston was, at his request, excused from serving on the special committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Representative Horace E. Miller of Conway, and Mr. Quinn of Boston was appointed in his place.

Change in a committee, — funeral of Representative Horace E. Miller.

Last Week of the Session.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Voted, That, commencing to-day, this be considered the last week of the session.

Last week of the session.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gillett of Springfield.

Records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto.

A report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road beds and tracks on the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston and Providence Railroad, — grade crossings.

A Bill relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans (Senate, No. 256) (being a new draft of a House bill with a similar title) (House, No. 577), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Discharge of small loans.

A Resolve in favor of the town of Natick (Senate, No. 259) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Town of Natick.

Conditional
sales of furni-
ture.

The House Bill relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 582) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Committee of
conference, —
retirement of
judges of
probate and
insolvency.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331) came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Fernald, Stevens and Butler had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Committee of
conference, —
volunteer
militia.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 493) came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Read, Clark and Coveney had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Rapid Transit
Commission.

A petition of the Rapid Transit Commission that said commission may be discharged from further service and dissolved was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Reports of Committees.

Conditional
sales of furni-
ture.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (House, No. 582). On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Discharge of
small loans.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (Senate, No. 256) ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Messengers and
pages of the
Senate and
House of Rep-
resentatives.

By Mr. Wolf of Boston, from the committee on Public Service, that the Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) in favor of the messengers and pages of the Sen-

ate and House of Representatives ought to pass. (House, No. 608.) On motion of Mr. Barrett of Concord, the rule requiring the resolve to be referred to the committee on Finance was suspended, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Keliher of Boston, the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the special committee appointed to investigate the reports of bribery or attempted bribery of members of the Legislature in connection with matters of legislation, reported, submitting the result of the investigation made by the committee, and recommending the appointment of a joint special committee to consider the expediency of action in relation to the matter. (House, No. 607.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the special committee, — reports of bribery of members of the Legislature.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding (House, No. 277) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 605.)

Gilded ware.

By Mr. Wellman of Malden, from the same committee, on a message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting certain documents relating to the appointment of inspectors to prevent the spread of tuberculosis, a Bill to amend an act to more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis. (House, No. 606.)

Tuberculosis.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Turner of Boston, from the committee on State House, on a petition, a Resolve relative to the bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Gardiner Tufts.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize selectmen of towns to adopt rules and orders for the regulation and control of itinerant musicians and persons coasting in the streets;

Bills enacted.

Relating to shares of the Boston and Maine Railroad, subject to the lien of a certain mortgage of the Eastern Railroad Company;

Changing the time of the sitting of the superior court for civil business for the county of Middlesex ;

To require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth ; and

Relative to the taking of lobsters ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton ; and

Relative to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston ; and

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health ; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the day.

Authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton (Senate, No. 250) ; and

Relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad (Senate, No. 249) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners through Massachusetts (House, No. 594) ; and

For the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown, in the county of Barnstable (House, No. 598) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended in the case of the last-named bill, on motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge.

Bills :

Relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children (Senate, No. 348) ; and

Relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways (Senate, No. 209) ; and the

Resolve providing for a tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee plant house at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Senate, No. 228) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission (House, No. 539), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers (Senate, No. 72) was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On the pending question of order, raised by Mr. McLoughlin of Milford, that the amendment moved by Mr. Lawrence of Medford was beyond the scope of the order upon which the bill was based, the Speaker ruled that the point of order was well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. Point of order.

After debate, the previous question, which had previously been moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (Senate, No. 224) was read a second time and considered.

Points of order.

Mr. Hinds of Webster raised the following points of order: *First*, that the committee should have reported, under Rule 29, leave to withdraw, on the ground that the matter could have been secured under the general law. *Second*, that the bill does not conform to the subject matter as is stated in the title. *Third*, that the matter was not properly advertised under Rule 30.

The Speaker ruled that the first and third points of order raised were not well taken for the reason that the matters of objection were within the province of the committee to determine, and that the second point of order raised was not well taken for the reason that there is no rule requiring the title to conform strictly to the provisions contained in the bill.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 112 to 12.

The Bill to authorize regular organized bodies of the Sons of Veterans Guards to parade in public (House, No. 586) was read a second time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 42 to 61.

The Bill relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston (Senate, No. 247) was read a third time, and after debate, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to regulate the sale of commercial feed stuffs (House, No. 589) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Danforth of Lynnfield moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Burke of Quincy, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed by a vote of 39 to 81.

The Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries (Senate, No. 112) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Merritt of Chelsea moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relating to transient lodging-houses (House, No. 575) was read a third time and considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Charles of Boston, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed.

The Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), was, on motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party (House, No. 571) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Hart of Lawrence, laid on the table.

The House receded from its amendment at "B" to the Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 222), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (Senate, No. 252) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Moriarty of Worcester raised the point of order Point of order. that the bill was beyond the scope of the petition upon which the bill was based.

The Speaker stated that, the bill under consideration having been substituted in the Senate in the form of an amendment for a House bill, it is not within the province of the House to review the action of the Senate, and cited in support of his decision a ruling on a similar matter from the House Journal of 1891, page 791. He accordingly ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

Mr. Charles of Boston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

At seventeen minutes past four o'clock, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, it was voted that debate be closed in thirty minutes, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. E. P. Clark of Boston moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows: "*Sect. 3.* No liquor shall be sold without a side dish of liver pills," which amendment was rejected.

After debate, the motion to refer the bill to the next General Court was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (House, No. 599) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the House, —

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, at sixteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Gillett of Springfield had been appointed to preside. Mr. Gillett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The fifth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Public Health, as recommended by the committee on Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bates of Brookline, a Bill to authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds. Read, and the committee on Rules having reported that it came within the provisions of the 12th joint rule, on motion of Mr. Bates, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Town of Brookline, — bonds.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of three members upon the part of the Senate and eight members upon the part of the House, to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring from employment in the capacity of a legislative counsel or agent, according to the provisions of section 4 of chapter 456 of the Acts of 1890, Horace K. Osborne.

Joint special committee, — disbarment of Horace K. Osborne as a legislative counsel or agent.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of the President and two members on the part of the Senate, and the Speaker and seven members on the

part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the system of introducing business into the General Court, the joint rules and those of each of the two branches, the salaries of members, and the expense of the legislative branch of the government; to hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions and expedite the business of the General Court.

Said committee shall report to the next General Court, not later than the second Wednesday of January, 1893, the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the sergeant-at-arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, —

Each session of
the House a
legislative day.

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, June 15, each session of the House shall be considered a legislative day.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Part II. of the
report of the
Insurance Com-
missioner, —
life, casualty
and assessment
insurance.

Report of the
Attorney-Gen-
eral, — lobby
law.

Of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part II. of the report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance; and

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the Attorney-General as relates to the lobby law;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston.

City of Holyoke,
— support of a
State pauper.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Holyoke that said city may be reimbursed for the support of Margaret O'Donnell, a State pauper,

accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) relative to the observance of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Roe of Worcester, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Bill to define exemptions from the civil service rules (Senate, No. 35). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gillett, and notice of the reference of the bill to the next General Court was sent to the Senate.

Exemptions from the civil service rules.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the message from the Governor transmitting a memorial signed by representatives of various religious denominations and colleges, requesting a change of the day now observed as Fast Day, and recommending in its place the observance of Good Friday as a church religious Fast Day. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gillett.

Fast Day, — Good Friday.

By Mr. Warren of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Bill to provide for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested (Senate, No. 90). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston, and notice of the reference of the bill to the next General Court was sent to the Senate.

Compensation of persons wrongfully arrested.

By Mr. Gillett of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Conway (House, No. 610). Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Gillett, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Conway, — town meeting.

Taken from the Table.

Elections, —
canvass of votes.

On motion of Mr. Hart of Lawrence, the Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party (House, No. 571) was taken from the table. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Hart moved to amend by striking out in lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, also in lines 24, 25, 26 and 27, the words "and each block shall be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the inspection and supervision of an election officer of another political party," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the following words: "and each block shall be canvassed simultaneously by two election officers representing the two leading political parties, each of the aforesaid officers to be under the inspection and supervision of an election officer of another political party, and additional election officers shall be appointed so far as necessary for such purpose."

After debate, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Town of
Stoneham, —
street railway.

On motion of Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, the Bill to enable the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway (House, No. 602) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
special com-
mittee on the
charges of
bribery in con-
nection with
matters of
legislation.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the report of the special committee appointed to investigate the reports of bribery or attempted bribery of members of the Legislature in connection with matters of legislation, submitting the result of the investigation made by the committee and recommending the appointment of a joint special committee to consider the expediency of action in relation to the matter (House, No. 607), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Durant of Cambridge, the Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Park Street
Congregational
Society in
Boston.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Wellman of Malden moved to amend by striking out all of section 1 after the word "therein," in line 15; also in section 2 by striking out, in line 5, after the word "been," the word "accepted," and inserting in place thereof the words "filed in the clerk's office of the superior court for the county of Suffolk;" also in section 2, lines 8 and 9, by striking out the words "in such trial the measure of damages shall be the sums fixed by section 1;" also in section 3, line 19, by striking out the words "such a tomb as is specified in section 1," and inserting in place thereof the words "a tomb, similar to the one taken, either in Forest Hills or Mount Auburn Cemetery."

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved to suspend Joint Rule No. 5, to allow the bill to be recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary, which motion was lost. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress; Bills enacted.

Relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects; and

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children;

Relating to the Ballot Law Commission;

To prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses;

Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston; and

In relation to the time of payment of the funded debt of the city of Chelsea ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed. In favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (which originated in the House) ;

Providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee plant house at the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and

Relating to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to amend an act to more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis (House, No. 606) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (House, No. 599), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Carter of Wakefield, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad (Senate, No. 249) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend in section 1, line 12, by striking out the word "tracks" and inserting in place thereof the words "main line;" also by adding at the end of section 2 the words "such stock to be sold at public auction."

Point of order.

Pending the amendments, Mr. Rideout of Cambridge raised the point of order that the bill involved the expenditure of public money, and should have been referred, under House Rule 43, to the committee on Finance. The Chair (Mr. Tucker of New Bedford) ruled that the point of order was well taken, and the bill was accordingly referred to the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill providing for a more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools (House, No. 473), was considered.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill providing for the more equal distribution of the expense for the support of public schools" (House, No. 604).

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee.

On the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Powers, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Powers, and the roll being called, the House refused to substitute the bill by a vote of 86 yeas to 103 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrews, Miles S.
Ashley, Henry W.
Atwood, Edward B.
Austin, J. Lewis
Ball, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.
Bartlett, Lewis H.
Batcheller, Henry C.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.
Blodgett, Percival
Brigham, William H.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brown, Samuel J.
Buckley, William P.
Burbank, Roland E.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William
Capen, Robert P.
Carroll, Michael
Carter, James H.
Clark, Hiram E. W.
Clayton, Horace E.
Cutler, George E.
Danforth, John M.
Delaney, Patrick
Dodge, Edgar S.
Easland, John N.
Fairbanks, Edward

Messrs. Fiske, Granville C.
French, Russell M.
Friend, George H.
Gallup, William W.
Garfield, George H.
George, Edwin H.
Gillett, Ransom W.
Gray, Joshua S.
Green, George H. B.
Hale, Charles H.
Hall, Henry C.
Harding, N. Frank
Hart, William H.
Healy, Lemuel
Hemenway, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.
Hobson, Charles H.
Holmes, Charles H.
Hooker, Charles H.
Horton, Everett S.
Howe, S. Augustus
Jewett, Gilbert L.
Jordan, Edgar E.
Kilduff, Richard G.
Lakin, James A.
Lane, Howard G.
Larkin, Erastus D.
Loud, John C.
Luby, Patrick B.
McAnally, Frank

Messrs. McLoughlin, John T.	Messrs. Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Morse, Stillman F.	Rugg, George H.
Newell, Richard	Sargent, J. Bradford
Nickerson, Osborn	Savage, Patrick J.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
O'Brien, John J.	Simonds, George R.
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Smith, Sylvanus
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Perkins, George W.	Stickney, Clarence
Powers, Wilbur H.	St. John, Thomas E.
Proctor, George O.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Quinn, Timothy F.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Read, Franklin F.	Winslow, George S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Fall, George
Adams, John W.	Fallon, James O.
Anderson, Stephen	Fletcher, J. Henry
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Francis, Frank W.
Baker, William G.	Galloupe, George A.
Barney, Benjamin B.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Barrett, Richard F.	Gilbride, Michael B.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Gillett, Frederick H.
Barstow, Thomas	Golding, John
Bates, Jacob P.	Harris, Charles E.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Heffernin, Patrick J.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Hinds, John F.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Hoar, John J.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Howard, S. Edward
Breen, Daniel F.	Hoyt, Warren
Brewer, Edward S.	Hyde, William S.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Jenks, George W.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Jennings, Henry J.
Bryant, Charles H.	Jennison, Henry J.
Burnham, Lewis	Keliher, Thomas J.
Casey, Joseph J.	Kelly, Charles A.
Chance, Charles J.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Charles, Salem D.	Lanigan, Andrew M.
Clough, George S.	Lawrence, Amos A.
Coakley, Daniel H.	Lawrence, William B.
Crosby, James P.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Crosman, Charles	Lougee, Joseph L.
Crowell, Elkanah	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crowley, Jeremiah J.	Lynch, John B.
Dacey, Charles M.	Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Dennis, William D.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Dolan, William J.	McCall, Samuel W.
Dole, Eben S.	McCarthy, Daniel
Driscoll, John A.	McEvoy, John W.
Dyar, Perlle A.	McLean, Isaac

Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.	Messrs. Rivers, George R. R.
Melaven, James F.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Mellen, James H.	Roe, Alfred S.
Meyer, George v. L.	Shute, Charles F.
Mooney, William L.	Smith, James B.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Norton, John H.	Sundberg, John F.
Nye, Charles H.	Taft, Henry G.
Olmstead, James M.	Tucker, George F.
Parker, Bowdoin S.	Turner, Edward E.
Parker, James O.	Warren, Bentley W.
Perkins, Augustus G.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Potter, Samuel A.	Wier, Fred N.
Quinn, Thomas A.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Richardson, Arthur C.	Wood, Frank C.
Richmond, Silas P.	Woodsum, B. Herbert
Rideout, Malcolm E.	

Yeas, 86 ; Nays, 103.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Merritt, Marcus M.*	Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac
Sullivan, Michael F.*	Clark, Edward P.
Richardson, Albert W.*	Sprague, Charles F.
Connolly, Francis*	Toomey, Daniel P.
Ruggles, Henry E.*	Clark, Louis M.
Low, Emery M.	Presho, Edward W.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, it was voted that when the House adjourns it be to meet to-day at quarter past two o'clock p.m.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer, at five minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee appointed to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring from employment in

Disbarment
of Horace K.
Osborne.

the capacity of counsel or agent Horace K. Osborne, be authorized to send for persons and papers and employ a stenographer, and to report in print.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw :

Boston, Cape
Cod and New
York Canal
Company.

On the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others ; and

Base River
Canal.

On the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Holmes of Chelsea.

Town of
Brookline,—
bonds.

The Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Bates of Brookline, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Rapid Transit
Commission.

The Bill to dissolve the Rapid Transit Commission (Senate, No. 264) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Committee of
conference,—
safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438), that the committee were unable to agree, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howard of Newton. Subsequently, Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that a new committee of conference be appointed.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the motion was adopted, and the Speaker (Mr. Powers of Hyde Park) appointed Messrs. Durant of Cambridge, Moriarty of Worcester and Ball of Upton as the committee on the part of the House. Mr. Ball was, at his request, excused from serving upon the committee, and Mr. Woodsum of Braintree was appointed in his place. The bill was returned to the Senate for concurrence in the appointment of a new committee of conference.

The Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendments.

Park Street
Congregational
Society in Bos-
ton.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge moved that the House recede from its amendments, which motion was lost. On motion of Mr. Wellman of Malden, the House insisted on its amendments, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Wellman of Malden and Dolan of Boston were appointed as the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight members on the part of the House, to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring from employment in the capacity of a legislative counsel or agent, according to the provisions of section 4 of chapter 456 of the Acts of 1890, Horace K. Osborne, came down concurred, Messrs. Butler, Reade and West being appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate. The Speaker appointed Messrs. L. M. Clark of Boston, Warren of Boston, Nutting of Northampton, Kilduff of Holyoke, Savage of Lowell, Richmond of Freetown, Lougee of Salem and Low of Brockton as the committee on the part of the House, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Joint special
committee, —
disbarment
of Horace K.
Osborne as
a legislative
counsel or agent.

*Reports of Committees.***State tax.**

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000. (House, No. 612.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts.

By Mr. Hoyt of Haverhill, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to the bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts ought to pass. (House, No. 614.)

Town of Natick.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the town of Natick (Senate, No. 259) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston and Providence Railroad, — grade crossings.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad (Senate, No. 249) ought to pass, with the following amendments: In section 4, line 4, by inserting, after the word "amount," the words "with interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum;" also, in the sixth line of the same section, by inserting, after the word "payment," the words "with interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum." Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Committee of conference, — volunteer militia.

Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 493), reported that the committee were unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Crosby of Worcester. On further motion of Mr. Crosby, a new committee of conference was appointed, and Messrs. Atwood of Plymouth, Fiske of Ashland and Burke of Quincy were appointed as the committee on the part of the House. Subsequently Mr. Atwood was, at his request, excused from serving on the committee, and Mr. Rideout of Cambridge was appointed in his place. The bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the appointment of a new committee of conference.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the suppression of gambling, pool rooms and policy shops ; and

On an order relative to such legislation as will empower the proper authorities to exterminate policy shops and lotteries ;

Were severally taken from the table, and were accepted.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Meyer of Boston, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road beds and tracks on the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was accepted, in concurrence.

On further motion of Mr. Meyer, the Bill to amend an act to more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis (House, No. 606) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, so as to read "Bill relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis."

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (House, No. 599) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Ashland, the Bill authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton (Senate, No. 250) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Fiske moved to amend in section 1, line 4, by inserting, after the word "may," the words "under the

Gambling, pool rooms and policy shops.

Policy shops and lotteries.

Boston and Providence Railroad, — grade crossings.

Tuberculosis.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

City of Boston, — Sudbury River water supply.

direction of the selectmen of Westborough and Hopkinton."

Pending the amendment, Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost.

Mr. Rosnosky moved that the bill be laid on the table, and on this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Rosnosky, and the roll being called, the motion to lay on the table was lost by a vote of 96 yeas to 97 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.

Anderson, Stephen
Baker, William G.
Barstow, Thomas
Bennett, Frank P.
Blanchard, S. Stillman
Bliss, Frederic W.
Bourne, Franklin C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brock, Lemuel M.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Brown, Benjamin F.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Burnham, Lewis
Capen, Robert P.
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Charles, Salem D.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crosman, Charles
Dacey, Charles M.
Driscoll, John A.
Durant, William B.
Dyar, Perlle A.
Fallon, James O.
Francis, Frank W.
Gardner, Arthur H.
Gilbride, Michael B.
Giles, Joseph J.
Golding, John
Hall, Henry C.
Harris, Charles E.
Hart, William H.
Heald, Joseph B.

Messrs. Heffernan, Edward J.

Hevey, Thomas D.
Hinds, John F.
Hoar, John J.
Howard, S. Edward
Hoyt, Warren
Jennison, Henry J.
Keliher, Thomas J.
Lanigan, Andrew M.
Lawrence, Amos A.
Lawrence, William B.
Loud, John C.
Lougee, Joseph L.
Lowe, William W.
Lynch, John B.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.
McAnally, Frank
McCall, Samuel W.
McCarthy, Daniel
McEvoy, John W.
McLean, Isaac
McSolla, Richard F.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Marcus M.
Meyer, George v. L.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Morse, Stillman F.
Newell, Richard
Norton, John H.
Oakes, William H.
O'Brien, John J.
Olmstead, James M.
Parker, Bowdoin S.
Parker, James O.
Perkins, Augustus G.

Messrs. Perkins, George W.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Sparhawk, Henry C.

Messrs. St. John, Thomas E.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Wier, Fred N.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Woodward, Amos P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Andrews, Miles S.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Barrows, Hiram W.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bates, Jacob P.
 Battles, David W.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Brewer, Edward S.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Cannon, William
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.
 Crane, George A.
 Crosby, James P.
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Cutler, George E.
 Cutler, George P.
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.

Messrs. Dole, Eben S.
 Easland, John N.
 Fall, George
 Fay, James M.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 French, Russell M.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Garfield, George H.
 George, Edwin H.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hale, Charles H.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Healy, Lemuel
 Hobson, Charles H.
 Holmes, Charles H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howe, S. Augustus
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jewett, Gilbert L.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Larkin, Erastus D.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Luther, William
 Lyford, Edwin F.

Messrs. McLoughlin, John T.	Messrs. Roe, Alfred S.
Melaven, James F.	Rugg, George H.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Nickerson, Osborn	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Simonds, George R.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Smith, James B.
Nye, Charles H.	Smith, Sumner
O'Neil, Eugene J.	Smith, Sylvanus
Parkhurst, Wellington E.	Stickney, Clarence
Potter, Samuel A.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Proctor, George O.	Taft, Henry G.
Read, Franklin F.	Tucker, George F.
Richardson, Albert W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Richmond, Silas P.	

Yeas, 96 ; Nays, 97.

After debate, pending the amendment, the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin.

Town of
Webster, —
fire district.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (Senate, No. 224) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to amend in section 17, line 8, by striking out the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" also by adding a new section, to be numbered section 18, as follows:—

"Sect. 18. This act shall not take effect until approved by a majority of the legal voters of said town, at a meeting called for that purpose, within sixty days after this act is accepted, as provided in the preceding section."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To provide for the improvement of the water works, water supply and water service of the town of Arlington;

Providing for an additional trial justice in the county of Dukes County;

Relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston;

Relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree ;
To provide an open space on the east side of the State
House extension ;

For the improvement of the lands belonging to the
Commonwealth at Provincetown in the county of Barn-
stable ;

To provide for the payment of transportation of State
publications furnished to free public libraries ; and

Authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and
transport prisoners in and through Massachusetts ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to lotteries and policy lotteries ;

Prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of
the Commonwealth as special police officers ; and

Relating to the assessment of damages for the laying
out or alteration of highways ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to regulate and establish supervision of the
business done by credit companies and collection bureaus
(House, No. 513) was further considered, the question
being on ordering it to a third reading. Orders of the
day.

The pending amendment recommended by the committee
on Mercantile Affairs was adopted.

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a
third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the
request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being
called, the House refused to order the bill to a third
reading by a vote of 57 yeas to 112 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
Andrews, Miles S.
Atwood, E. Elbridge
Barstow, Thomas
Batcheller, Henry C.
Breen, Daniel F.
Brogan, Patrick F.
Buckley, William P.
Burke, James F.
Cannon, William

Messrs. Carroll, Michael
Casey, Joseph J.
Chance, Charles J.
Coakley, Daniel H.
Connolly, Francis
Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Cutler, George P.
Dacey, Charles M.
Delaney, Patrick
Driscoll, John A.

Messrs. Fallon, James O.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Gray, Joshua S.
 Harding, N. Frank
 Hart, William H.
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.
 Hoar, John J.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Lanigan, Andrew M.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McEvoy, John W.
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.

Messrs. Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Wilder, Aaron O.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Adams, John W.
 Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Austin, J. Lewis
 Baker, William G.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Barrett, Richard F.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bicknell, Zechariah L.
 Blanchard, S. Stillman
 Bliss, Frederic W.
 Blodgett, Albert G.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brigham, William H.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brown, Benjamin F.
 Brown, Samuel J.
 Capen, Robert P.
 Carter, James H.
 Chester, Dwight
 Clark, Hiram E. W.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Clough, George S.

Messrs. Crane, George A.
 Crosman, Charles
 Crowell, Elkanah
 Danforth, John M.
 Dennis, William D.
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Durant, William B.
 Dyar, Perlle A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fairbanks, Edward
 Fall, George
 Fay, James M.
 Ferren, Myron J.
 Fiske, Granville C.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Galloupe, George A.
 Gallup, William W.
 Gardner, Arthur H.
 Garfield, George H.
 Giles, Joseph J.
 Gillett, Frederick H.
 Gillett, Ransom W.
 Graham, John R.
 Green, George H. B.
 Hall, Henry C.
 Harris, Charles E.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Hemenway, William H.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.	Messrs. Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Holmes, Charles H.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Hooker, Charles H.	Perkins, George W.
Howard, S. Edward	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Presho, Edward W.
Hyde, William S.	Proctor, George O.
Jennings, Henry J.	Read, Franklin F.
Jennison, Henry J.	Richardson, Albert W.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Richmond, Silas P.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Rivers, George R. R.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Roe, Alfred S.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Rugg, George H.
Loud, John C.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Lougee, Joseph L.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Lowe, William W.	Shute, Charles F.
Luther, William	Simonds, George R.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Smith, Sumner
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Smith, Sylvanus
McCall, Samuel W.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Morse, Stillman F.	Taft, Henry G.
Nichols, DeWitt C.	Tucker, George F.
Nickerson, Osborn	Warren, Bentley W.
Norton, John H.	Wellman, Arthur H.
Nourse, Andrew L.	Wier, Fred N.
Nutting, Arthur F.	Wolf, Bernard M.
Olmstead, James M.	Wood, Frank C.

Yeas, 57; Nays, 112.

PAIRS.

On this question the following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Rosnosky, Isaac*	Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry
Dolan, William J.	Burbank, Roland E.*
Parker, James O.	St. John, Thomas E.*
Newell, Richard*	Rideout, Malcolm E.

* Present.

At seven minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

The following petitions were severally placed on file, as recommended by the committee on Rules:—

Mercantile
agencies.

By Mr. Blanchard of Boston, remonstrance of Shreve, Crump & Lowe and 147 other business firms of Boston; by Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, remonstrance of Underwood & Adams and others of Orange; by Mr. Sawyer of Danvers, remonstrance of B. H. Crombie and others of Danvers; by Mr. Morse of Holden, remonstrance of F. A. Merriam and others of Westminster; by Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, remonstrance of S. L. Cook and others of Foxborough; by Mr. Galloupe of Beverly, remonstrance of Hatch & Mitchell and others of Beverly; and by Mr. Blodgett of West Brookfield, remonstrance of C. A. Bush and others of Brookfield, — severally, against any legislation affecting the collecting and mercantile agency business.

Limit of Debate.

On motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, —

Limit of debate.

Voted, That on all matters coming before the House debate shall be limited to three minutes for each member.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Garfield of Brockton, —

Pay roll.

Ordered, That the committee on Pay Roll are hereby instructed to make up the pay roll for the compensation of members for attendance during the present session of the Legislature; also the mileage, to be computed according to the table of distances established by order of the House of Representatives adopted at the present session; and that the pay of Isaac McLean of Cambridge, DeWitt C. Nichols of Southborough and Bernard M. Wolf of Boston be made up for the full session.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee.

Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Resolves :

In favor of Margaret McDonald (Senate, No. 266) (reported on a petition) ; and

Margaret McDonald.

Providing for the printing of five hundred additional copies of part second of the report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (Senate, No. 265) (reported on Part II. of the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks) ;

Part II. of the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Crowley of Boston, the resolves were severally read a second and a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to enable the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway (House, No. 602) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 3, line 3, the words "duly called, whether," and inserting in place thereof the word "legally ;" also striking out, in the same line, the word "or ;" also striking out, in line 4 of the same section, the words "within one year after ;" also in the title by striking out the word "enable" and inserting in place thereof the word "authorize," in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ferren of Stoneham, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of Stoneham, — street railway.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia (House, No. 493) came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference, and that Messrs. Wyer, Nichols and Eaton had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Committee of conference, — volunteer militia.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121),

Committee of conference, — Park Street Congregational Society in Boston.

came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Fernald, Smith and Provin had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

Committee of conference, — safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 438) came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference, and that Messrs. Baker, Kennedy and Dame had been appointed as the committee on the part of that branch.

City of Woburn, — superintendent of public buildings.

Notice was received from the Senate that the engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings (Senate, No. 157), having been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto, had failed to pass ;

Corporations for the manufacture of gas.

Also that the House Bill relating to corporations for the manufacture of gas (House, No. 588) had been rejected by the Senate ;

City of Brockton, — public health.

Also that the House petition of William H. Pease and other citizens of Brockton for legislation prohibiting the drawing off of the water of certain ponds in said city to such an extent as to be injurious to health had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

House Rule 17.

By Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, from the committee on Rules, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending Rule 17 of the House rules so that the Speaker have power to order the doors of the House opened. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Chance of Boston.

Returns of county treasurers.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers (Senate, No. 99), ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Gillett of Springfield, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Crowell of Yarmouth moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted, in concurrence, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay. After debate, the motion was lost.

Bass River
Canal.

On motion of Mr. Ruggles of Franklin, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (Senate, No. 224), was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Ruggles moved to amend, in section 14, line 9, by striking out the words "town or," which amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 89 to 52, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Town of
Webster, —
fire district.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, the Bill authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton (Senate, No. 250) was taken from the table. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Chicopee, the pending amendment moved by Mr. Fiske of Ashland was rejected by a vote of 27 to 76.

City of Boston,
— Sudbury
River water
supply.

An amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was adopted, to wit: in section 6, line 10, inserting, after the word "recoveries," the words "*provided*, that said city has notice of any claim or suit for such damages."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, the Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000 (House,

State tax.

No. 612) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Natick.

On further motion of Mr. Rideout, the Resolve in favor of the town of Natick (Senate, No. 259) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Discharge of
small loans.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the Bill relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (Senate, No. 256) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Gardiner Tufts.

On motion of Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, the Resolve relative to the bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts (House, No. 614) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad, —
grade crossings.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad (Senate, No. 249) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The pending amendments recommended by the committee on Finance and the pending amendments moved by Mr. Powers were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Bills enacted and Resolve passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving (which originated in the House) ;

To provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge; and
 To dissolve the Rapid Transit Commission;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate);
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the observance of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill in relation to fraternal beneficiary corporations and other corporations organized for the transaction of insurance upon the assessment plan (House, No. 603) was read a second time and considered. Mr. Gillett of Springfield moved to amend in section 1, line 3, by inserting, after the word "jurisdiction," the words "in cases of insolvency;" also by striking out, in lines 17 to 22, inclusive, the words "and such cases and other similar cases which may hereafter arise in either of said courts shall be governed by the Massachusetts act of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven and acts amendatory thereof, so far as the same are applicable." Orders of the day.

After debate, the amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Sparhawk of Marblehead, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to enable certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes (House, No. 534) was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Coburn of Lowell was rejected.

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Hall of Woburn were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding (House, No. 605) was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to

a third reading, Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved that it be referred to the next General Court, which motion, after debate, was lost, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (Senate, No. 252) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to amend, in section 2, line 4, by striking out the words "five hundred" and inserting in place thereof the words "one thousand;" also, in line 6 of section 2, by striking out the word "twelve" and inserting in place thereof the word "six."

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Rosnosky of Boston.

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Chance of Boston were severally rejected.

The amendments moved by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke were severally rejected.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Charles of Boston, and the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 100 yeas to 89 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Crosman, Charles
Adams, John W.	Crowell, Elkanah
Baker, William G.	Cutler, George E.
Barrett, Richard F.	Cutler, George P.
Barrows, Hiram W.	Danforth, John M.
Barstow, Thomas	Dennis, William D.
Bates, Jacob P.	Durant, William B.
Battles, David W.	Dyar, Perlie A.
Bennett, Frank P.	Fall, George
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Fiske, Granville C.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Fletcher, J. Henry
Brigham, William H.	Friend, George H.
Brown, Samuel J.	Gardner, Arthur H.
Buck, Anson	Garfield, George H.
Carter, James H.	George, Edwin H.
Chester, Dwight	Giles, Joseph J.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Graham, John R.
Clark, Louis M.	Gray, Joshua S.
Clough, George S.	Green, George H. B.
Crane, George A.	Hale, Charles H.
Crosby, James P.	Hall, Henry C.

Messrs. Harding, N. Frank

Harris, Charles E.
 Hemenway, William H.
 Hooker, Charles H.
 Horton, Everett S.
 Howard, George C.
 Howard, S. Edward
 Hoyt, Warren
 Hyde, William S.
 Jenks, George W.
 Jennings, Henry J.
 Jordan, Edgar E.
 Kilduff, Richard G.
 Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
 Lane, Howard G.
 Lawrence, William B.
 Leonard, Mahlon R.
 Lincoln, Stephen R.
 Lougee, Joseph L.
 Low, Emery M.
 Lyford, Edwin F.
 Mayhew, Ulysses E.
 Meyer, George v. L.
 Morse, Stillman F.
 Newell, Richard
 Nichols, DeWitt C.
 Nickerson, Osborn
 Norton, John H.
 Nourse, Andrew L.

Messrs. Nye, Charles H.

Parker, Bowdoin S.
 Parkhurst, Wellington E.
 Perkins, Augustus G.
 Perkins, George W.
 Powers, Wilbur H.
 Proctor, George O.
 Read, Franklin F.
 Richardson, Albert W.
 Richmond, Jeremiah T.
 Richmond, Silas P.
 Rideout, Malcolm E.
 Rivers, George R. R.
 Rockwell, Henry F.
 Roe, Alfred S.
 Rugg, George H.
 Ruggles, Henry E.
 Sawyer, Samuel L.
 Shute, Charles F.
 Simonds, George R.
 Smith, James B.
 Soule, George L.
 Stickney, Clarence
 St. John, Thomas E.
 Sweet, Andrew H.
 Tucker, George F.
 Wellman, Arthur H.
 Whitcomb, N. Emery
 Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAVS.**Messrs. Anderson, Stephen**

Ashley, Henry W.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Bacheller, Charles M.
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William

Messrs. Carroll, Michael

Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Coburn, Clarence G.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Dacey, Charles M.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.

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Messrs. Gilbride, Michael B.	Messrs. Melaven, James F.
Golding, John	Mellen, James H.
Hart, William H.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Heald, Joseph B.	Mooney, William L.
Healy, Lemuel	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Heffernin, Patrick J.	O'Brien, John J.
Hevey, Thomas D.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Hinds, John F.	Parker, James O.
Hoar, John J.	Potter, Samuel A.
Hobson, Charles H.	Prescho, Edward W.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Quinn, Thomas A.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Kelly, Charles A.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Rosnosky, Isaac
Larkin, Erastus D.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Lowe, William W.	Sparhawk, Henry C.
Luby, Patrick B.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Lynch, John B.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Sundberg, John F.
McAnally, Frank	Toomey, Daniel P.
McCarthy, Daniel	Turner, Edward E.
McEvoy, John W.	Warren, Bentley W.
McLean, Isaac	Wolf, Bernard M.
McLoughlin, John T.	Wood, Frank C.
McSolla, Richard F.	

Yeas, 100; Nays, 89.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Brown, Benjamin F.*	Messrs. Dolan, William J.
Holmes, Charles H.*	Breen, Daniel F.
Galloupe, George A.*	Halley, Dennis E.
Bessom, Eugene A.*	Casey, Joseph J.

* Present.

*Resolutions on the Death of Horace E. Miller.*Death of Horace
E. Miller.

Mr. Hemenway of Shutesbury, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Horace E. Miller, representative from the fourth Franklin district, and to prepare resolutions of respect in honor of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote : —

Resolved, That the House of Representatives learns with sorrow of the death of Horace E. Miller, late a member of this House from the fourth Franklin district ;

Resolved, That the House desires to publicly attest its regard for him as a man of great integrity of character and one who had won the respect of all his associates by his estimable personal traits and the conscientious manner in which he discharged his public duties ; and that the House further desires to express its sympathy with the family and friends of the deceased ;

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered at length upon the Journal of the House, and that an engrossed copy be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

On motion of Mr. Rivers of Milton, it was voted that when the House adjourns it be to meet to-day at two o'clock P.M.

On further motion of Mr. Rivers, at twenty minutes before one o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

By unanimous consent, by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Horace E. Miller. Widow of Horace E. Miller. Read, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently the resolve came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of Mr. Rideout, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, by Mr. Rideout, a Bill in addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension. State House extension. Read, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Subsequently the bill came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. On motion of

Mr. Rideout, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Report ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Boston, —

Report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

Ordered, That the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, presented to the House March 3, 1892, be printed as a House document.

Papers from the Senate.

Elections, —
canvass of votes.

The House Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party (House, No. 571) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dennis of Salem, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Joint special committee, —
expedition of legislative business.

The House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions and expedite the business of the General Court came down adopted, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which amendments the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Charles of Boston, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Asylum for the chronic insane.

The House Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (House, No. 599) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, in section 4, lines 10 and 11, the words "are hereby made a part of this act," and inserting in place thereof the words "shall apply to said asylum and to persons committed thereto," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rosnosky of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Tuberculosis.

The House Bill relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis (House, No. 606) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, adding a new section, to be numbered section 2, as follows:

"Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage," in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Adams of Springfield, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex (Senate, No. 106), that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence and concur with the House in its amendment, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parker of Boston.

Committee of conference, — equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

The following order, reported by the joint special committee who were instructed to consider the expediency of disbarring Horace K. Osborne from acting as a legislative counsel or agent, adopted by the Senate, was read and considered: —

Disbarment of Horace K. Osborne.

Ordered, That Horace K. Osborne of Cambridge be, and hereby is, disbarred and prohibited from acting in the capacity of legislative counsel or agent for the period of three years from the date of the adoption of this order, and that a copy of this order be filed in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Chance of Boston moved that the order be referred to the next General Court.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Casey of Boston, by a vote of 63 to 30, and the order was declared adopted by a vote of 58 to 35.

Mr. Anderson of Cambridge raised the point of order that a quorum of the House was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 119 members were present.

Point of order.

On motion of Mr. Presho of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was requested to secure the attendance of a quorum.

A subsequent count of the House showed that 128 members were present, and the order was then adopted by a vote of 73 to 39.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill authorizing certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes (House, No. 534).

Manufacture of gas by certain cities.

Reports of Committees.

Abstract of the
report of the
auditor of
accounts.

By Mr. Crowley of Boston, from the committee on Finance, no further legislation necessary, on the abstract of the report of the auditor of accounts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Buckley of Holyoke.

Auditor of
accounts, —
statement of
estimates.

By Mr. Bartlett of Lowell, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the statement of estimates submitted by the auditor of accounts. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rideout of Cambridge.

Report of the
committee on
Pay Roll.

By Mr. Garfield of Brockton, from the committee on Pay Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay roll of the members of the House of Representatives, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, should be adopted: —

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$180,750 is due to the members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present session of the General Court, and that the sum of \$1,900 is due for compensation for mileage, is approved; and that the same be sent to the treasurer and receiver-general.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kosnosky of Boston, and the order was adopted and signed by the Speaker.

Committee of
conference, —
Park Street
Congregational
Society in
Boston.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein (Senate, No. 121), reported recommending that the House recede from its amendments and concur in the engrossment of the bill with amendments at "X" by inserting the words "not less than," and at "Y" by striking out the words "the sums fixed by section 1," and inserting in place thereof the words "as provided in section 1 of this act." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tucker, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of
conference, —
safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

Mr. Durant of Cambridge, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill in relation to safe deposit,

loan and trust companies (House, No. 438), reported that the committee were unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bennett of Everett, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties (House, No. 331), reported that the committee were unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Durant of Cambridge, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of conference, — retirement of judges of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Rideout of Cambridge, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 618). Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Rideout, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Appropriation bill.

Bills enacted and Resolves passed.

Engrossed bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Conway ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway ;

To authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds ;

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

Requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party ;

To apportion and assess a State tax of \$1,750,000 ;

Relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis ;

In relation to fraternal beneficiary corporations and other corporations organized for the transaction of insurance upon the assessment plan ;

In addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension ;

In addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

Relating to the equity docket of the superior court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers ;

Authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton ;

Relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad ;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ; and

To authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society and to prohibit interments therein ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Relative to the bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts ; and

In favor of the widow of Horace E. Miller ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

In favor of the town of Natick ;

In favor of Margaret McDonald ; and

Providing for the printing of five hundred additional copies of part second of the report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Sale of intoxicating liquors.

An engrossed Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

Mr. Buckley of Holyoke moved to strike out the enacting clause. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Buckley, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 81 yeas to 116 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Anderson, Stephen
 Bardwell, Henry D.
 Barney, Benjamin B.
 Bartlett, Lewis H.
 Bartlett, Robert G.
 Batcheller, Henry C.
 Bourne, Franklin C.
 Breen, Daniel F.
 Brock, Lemuel M.
 Brogan, Patrick F.
 Bryant, Charles H.
 Buckley, William P.
 Burbank, Roland E.
 Burke, James F.
 Burnham, Lewis
 Cannon, William
 Carroll, Michael
 Casey, Joseph J.
 Chance, Charles J.
 Charles, Salem D.
 Clark, Edward P.
 Clayton, Horace E.
 Coakley, Daniel H.
 Connolly, Francis
 Crowley, Jeremiah J.
 Delaney, Patrick
 Dodge, Edgar S.
 Dolan, William J.
 Dole, Eben S.
 Driscoll, John A.
 Easland, John N.
 Fallon, James O.
 Francis, Frank W.
 French, Russell M.
 Gilbride, Michael B.
 Golding, John
 Hart, William H.
 Heald, Joseph B.
 Healy, Lemuel
 Heffernan, Edward J.
 Hevey, Thomas D.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.
 Hoar, John J.
 Keliber, Thomas J.
 Kelly, Charles A.
 Lowe, William W.
 Luby, Patrick B.
 Lynch, John B.
 Mahoney, Cornelius E.
 McAnally, Frank
 McCarthy, Daniel
 McLean, Isaac
 McLoughlin, John T.
 McSolla, Richard F.
 Melaven, James F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Marcus M.
 Mooney, William L.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nutting, Arthur F.
 Oakes, William H.
 O'Brien, John J.
 O'Neil, Eugene J.
 Parker, James O.
 Potter, Samuel A.
 Presho, Edward W.
 Quinn, Thomas A.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Richardson, Arthur C.
 Rosnosky, Isaac
 Ross, Samuel
 Savage, Patrick J.
 Sawyer, Ira O.
 Sullivan, Benjamin J.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sundberg, John F.
 Toomey, Daniel P.
 Turner, Edward E.
 Warren, Bentley W.
 Wolf, Bernard M.
 Wood, Frank C.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.
 Adams, John W.
 Allen, James E.
 Andrews, Miles S.

Messrs. Appleton, Francis H.
 Atwood, Edward B.
 Atwood, E. Elbridge
 Austin, J. Lewis

Messrs. Baker, William G.	Messrs. Howe, S. Augustus
Barrett, Richard F.	Hoyt, Warren
Barrows, Hiram W.	Hyde, William S.
Barstow, Thomas	Jackson, Charles T.
Bates, Jacob P.	Jenkins, Robert B.
Battles, David W.	Jenks, George W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Jennings, Henry J.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Jennison, Henry J.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Jordan, Edgar E.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Brewer, Edward S.	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Brigham, William H.	Lane, Howard G.
Brown, Samuel J.	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Carter, James H.	Lincoln, Stephen R.
Chester, Dwight	Loud, John C.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	Low, Emery M.
Clark, Louis M.	Luther, William
Clough, George S.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Crane, George A.	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Crosby, James P.	McCall, Samuel W.
Crosman, Charles	Meyer, George v. L.
Crowell, Elkanah	Morse, Stillman F.
Cutler, George E.	Newell, Richard
Cutler, George P.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Danforth, John M.	Norton, John H.
Dennis, William D.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Durant, William B.	Nye, Charles H.
Fairbanks, Edward	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Fall, George	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Fiske, Granville C.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Friend, George H.	Perkins, George W.
Galloupe, George A.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Gallup, William W.	Proctor, George O.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Read, Franklin F.
George, Edwin H.	Richardson, Albert W.
Giles, Joseph J.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Richmond, Silas P.
Graham, John R.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Gray, Joshua S.	Rockwell, Henry F.
Green, George H. B.	Roe, Alfred S.
Hale, Charles H.	Rugg, George H.
Hall, Henry C.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Harding, N. Frank	Sargent, J. Bradford
Harris, Charles E.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hemenway, William H.	Shute, Charles F.
Holmes, Charles H.	Smith, James B.
Hooker, Charles H.	Smith, Sumner
Horton, Everett S.	Soule, George L.
Howard, George C.	Stickney, Clarence
Howard, S. Edward	St. John, Thomas E.

Messrs. Sweet, Andrew H.	Messrs. Wilder, Aaron O.
Tucker, George F.	Winslow, George S.
Wellman, Arthur H.	Woodward, Amos P.
Whitcomb, N. Emery	Woodsum, B. Herbert

Yeas, 81 ; Nays, 116.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. McEvoy, John W.*	Messrs. Fletcher, J. Henry
Dacey, Charles M.*	Lougee, Joseph L.
Sparhawk, Henry C.	Simonds, George R.*
Heffernin, Patrick J.	Garfield, George H.*
Ashley, Henry W.*	Lawrence, William B.

• Present.

The bill was then passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (which originated in the Senate) was put upon its final passage. Town of Webster, — fire district.

Mr. Hinds of Webster moved to strike out the enacting clause. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chance of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on striking out the enacting clause, at the request of Mr. Hinds, and the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 71 yeas to 118 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, John W.	Messrs. Carroll, Michael
Andrews, Miles S.	Carter, James H.
Atwood, Edward B.	Crane, George A.
Austin, J. Lewis	Crosman, Charles
Barrows, Hiram W.	Crowell, Elkanah
Bartlett, Robert G.	Dennis, William D.
Batcheller, Henry C.	Dodge, Edgar S.
Battles, David W.	Durant, William B.
Bliss, Frederic W.	Fall, George
Bourne, Franklin C.	Fay, James M.
Brigham, William H.	Fiske, Granville C.
Burnham, Lewis	French, Russell M.
Capen, Robert P.	Gardner, Arthur H.

Messrs. Garfield, George H.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Green, George H. B.	Merritt, Marcus M.
Harding, N. Frank	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Harris, Charles E.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Healy, Lemuel	Oakes, William H.
Hevey, Thomas D.	Olmstead, James M.
Hinds, John F.	Potter, Samuel A.
Holmes, Charles H.	Richardson, Albert W.
Howard, George C.	Richardson, Arthur C.
Jackson, Charles T.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Jenkins, Robert B.	Richmond, Silas P.
Kelly, Charles A.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Kilduff, Richard G.	Rivers, George R. R.
Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.	Roe, Alfred S.
Leonard, Mahlon R.	Rugg, George H.
Loud, John C.	Sargent, J. Bradford
Lougee, Joseph L.	Shute, Charles F.
Low, Emery M.	Stickney, Clarence
Lowe, William W.	St. John, Thomas E.
Luby, Patrick B.	Tucker, George F.
Mayhew, Ulysses E.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
McCall, Samuel W.	Wolf, Bernard M.
McLoughlin, John T.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Casey, Joseph J.
Allen, James E.	Chance, Charles J.
Anderson, Stephen	Clark, Edward P.
Appleton, Francis H.	Clark, Hiram E. W.
Ashley, Henry W.	Clark, Louis M.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Clayton, Horace E.
Baker, William G.	Clough, George S.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Coakley, Daniel H.
Barrett, Richard F.	Connolly, Francis
Barstow, Thomas	Crowley, Jeremiah J.
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Cutler, George E.
Bates, Jacob P.	Cutler, George P.
Bennett, Frank P.	Dacey, Charles M.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Danforth, John M.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Delaney, Patrick
Breen, Daniel F.	Dolan, William J.
Brewer, Edward S.	Dole, Eben S.
Brogan, Patrick F.	Driscoll, John A.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Easland, John N.
Brown, Samuel J.	Fallon, James O.
Bryant, Charles H.	Ferren, Myron J.
Buckley, William P.	Francis, Frank W.
Burbank, Roland E.	Galloupe, George A.
Cannon, William	Gallup, William W.

Messrs. George, Edwin H.	Messrs. McSolla, Richard F.
Gilbride, Michael B.	Melaven, James F.
Giles, Joseph J.	Mooney, William L.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Morse, Stillman F.
Golding, John	Newell, Richard
Graham, John R.	Nickerson, Osborn
Gray, Joshua S.	Norton, John H.
Hall, Henry C.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Hart, William H.	Nutting, Arthur F.
Heald, Joseph B.	O'Neil, Eugene J.
Heffernan, Edward J.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Hemenway, William H.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Hoar, John J.	Perkins, George W.
Hooker, Charles H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Quinn, Thomas A.
Hyde, William S.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Jenks, George W.	Read, Franklin F.
Jennings, Henry J.	Ruggles, Henry E.
Jennison, Henry J.	Savage, Patrick J.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Jordan, Edgar E.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Keliher, Thomas J.	Simonds, George R.
Lakin, James A.	Smith, Sumner
Lane, Howard G.	Smith, Sylvanus
Lanigan, Andrew M.	Soule, George L.
Larkin, Erastus D.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
Lincoln, Stephen R.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Luther, William	Sundberg, John F.
Lyford, Edwin F.	Sweet, Andrew H.
Lynch, John B.	Toomey, Daniel P.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Turner, Edward E.
McAnally, Frank	Wellman, Arthur H.
McCarthy, Daniel	Wilder, Aaron O.
McEvoy, John W.	Wood, Frank C.
McLean, Isaac	Woodward, Amos P.

Yeas, 71 ; Nays, 118.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. O'Brien, John J.*	Messrs. Heffernin, Patrick J.
Dyar, Perlle A.*	Rockwell, Henry F.
Blanchard, S. Stillman*	Meyer, George v. L.

• Present.

The bill was then passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding (House, No. 605) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

Sale of intoxicating liquors.

Point of order.

Mr. Rosnosky of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (Senate, No. 252). Mr. Woodsum of Braintree raised the point of order that, the orders of the day having been disposed of, the motion to reconsider was not in order. The Speaker (Mr. St. John of Haverhill) declared the point of order well taken.

Message from the Governor.

Message from the Governor, — sale of intoxicating liquors.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor (House, No. 617): —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 16, 1892.

To the Honorable House of Representatives.

I return herewith, with my objections, a bill entitled "An Act to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop," which originated in your body.

If I believed that this bill would promote the cause of temperance I would gladly give it my approval. But I do not believe it will have or is expected to have that result, but, on the contrary, that it will lead to evasion and to the unequal and imperfect application and enforcement of law, as was recently and fully illustrated in reference to the public bar law.

This bill in substance merely prohibits the keeping or sale of liquor in any room, building or place where the sale of liquor is the exclusive or principal business carried on. It, therefore, requires only that every licensee should provide himself with some other business in addition to the sale of liquors, such, for example, as the sale of food or of newspapers, providing billiards or some other

amusement as a business, or the exhibition of pictures or delivery of lectures, etc., to which he may claim to make the sale of liquors subordinate, and then leave it to a jury to determine this fact. It is perfectly clear to me that this is only encouraging a repetition of an experience in this Commonwealth which proved to be so much of a farce and scandal as to lead the Legislature last year to repeal the cause of it. It was found then that the provision in reference to a public bar was enforced in only one or two places, that it had not advanced the cause of temperance, that it was not sustained by public sentiment, and that, by constant evasions and non-enforcement, it was an injury to the cause of law and order, and so the provision was repealed.

Under this bill the seller of liquor can go through the farce of establishing a "principal business," and again we shall have an experience with unequal and imperfect attempts at enforcement of law.

I believe it is an unwise policy to enact legislation which, it is almost certain, will open the way to make a farce of law by non-enforcement, when law ought to be thoroughly enforced with the full support and approbation of the community.

I will gladly give my sanction and aid to every proper measure which will advance the cause of temperance, and to the full extent of my power will have the laws of this Commonwealth thoroughly enforced. Wherever in the past such enforcement has fallen within my official duty, I have sought to make it effective. But I do most earnestly urge on the consideration of the Legislature the mischief of making provisions of law which, in the light of experience, it is believed will lead only to evasions, non-enforcement and a farce.

Under the wise and well-established policy of this Commonwealth, each locality has full power to determine for itself the question of the sale of liquor within its limits, and, if it desires, can absolutely prohibit such sale.

The annual discussion and decision of this question in our local communities have preserved fully their local rights, and have also been an educational influence of great importance in advancing the cause of temperance. Even if a community votes for license, the local authorities have now absolute power to determine how many licenses, if any, shall be granted, and to what persons and what places and for what purposes.

Everything sought to be accomplished by this bill can now be accomplished by the local authorities of any community. They can limit the grant of any license, if they wish, to apothecaries, hotel keepers or grocers, or any other class within their discretion. They cannot now grant a license for sale of liquor to be drunk on the premises except to a common victualler, that is, to one who conducts also the business of furnishing food. If this provision, now existing in law, can be and is enforced, it covers the case sought to be reached by this bill; if it is not enforced, and cannot be, it is not more law, but more enforcement of law, which is needed.

In view of the full powers now given to local communities to establish prohibition or to restrict the persons or places to be licensed, or the purpose for which a license shall be used, and of the many restrictions and limitations now existing, I do not believe this proposed law is wise or necessary.

If this measure is directed especially to the city of Boston, it should be remembered that for every liquor saloon or tippling shop which now exists there, the responsibility rests directly upon the Board of Police, created by the State, and that there is now and has been in their hands full power to prohibit the existence of any and every such saloon or shop.

The conditions and sentiment of different communities vary greatly upon the question of the sale of liquor. It seems to me wiser to allow for such differences of condition, opinion and sentiment, by giving discretion upon this question to each community and its properly constituted authorities, than to disregard such differences by general provisions of law. So the law enacted by each community will have behind it the power and public sentiment of that community, and will be, as it ought to be and must be, thoroughly enforced. It is such a policy which has received the repeated approval and endorsement of the people of this Commonwealth. It is in thorough accord with our belief in local self-government, and in my judgment it is constantly advancing the cause of temperance.

This bill does not in any way or form prohibit the sale of liquor or limit the number of places where it may be sold, or tend to promote prohibition. Such sale may be just as open as at present and as easily accessible to any person desiring to purchase liquor, nor will he be required

to order food therewith or to patronize any other business of the seller.

This Legislature has shown that it does not believe in prohibition by its refusal to establish it or to limit further the number of licenses, or to enact any other measures in that direction.

The provision of this bill is solely that some other principal business must be carried on at the place of sale. This is certain to be difficult of construction and enforcement, and may well add to the admitted evils and temptations of the saloon. It certainly is of doubtful public policy to force the association of other business with the sale of liquor.

It is not at all likely that this business, which is notoriously profitable, will by this law be limited in extent or change hands, but only that it will disguise its conduct to meet the formal requirements of the law. Instead of suppressing the saloon, in my judgment it will add to its evils, and instead of promoting temperance, it will lead to evasions and conditions which will tend to injure this most worthy cause.

As this bill comes to me with fifty or sixty others in the closing hours of your session, I am compelled to express in a hasty and imperfect way the reasons which lead me to believe that the measure is unwise, and that it is more conservative and wise to withhold my approval of it than to allow it to become a law, especially as it is not to take effect until May 1, 1893, and there is, therefore, ample opportunity for another Legislature to give it consideration.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message was read. On the question "Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called, the bill was passed, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 94 yeas to 29 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ackley, Edward W.	Messrs. Barrett, Richard F.
Andrews, Miles S.	Barrows, Hiram W.
Atwood, E. Elbridge	Bates, Jacob P.
Ball, George S.	Battles, David W.

Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.	Messrs. Jennison, Henry J.
Bessom, Eugene A.	Jordan, Edgar E.
Bicknell, Zechariah L.	Kilduff, Richard G.
Blanchard, S. Stillman	Kohlrausch, Chas. H., Jr.
Blodgett, Albert G.	Lane, Howard G.
Blodgett, Percival	Leonard, Mahlon R.
Brewer, Edward S.	Loud, John C.
Brigham, William H.	Lougee, Joseph L.
Brown, Benjamin F.	Luther, William
Brown, Samuel J.	Lyford, Edwin F.
Chester, Dwight	Mayhew, Ulysses E.
Clark, Hiram E. W.	McCall, Samuel W.
Clark, Louis M.	Morse, Stillman F.
Clough, George S.	Newell, Richard
Crosby, James P.	Nichols, DeWitt C.
Crowell, Elkanah	Nickerson, Osborn
Cutler, George P.	Norton, John H.
Dennis, William D.	Nourse, Andrew L.
Durant, William B.	Nye, Charles H.
Dyar, Perlle A.	Parker, Bowdoin S.
Fiske, Granville C.	Parkhurst, Wellington E.
Galloupe, George A.	Perkins, Augustus G.
Gardner, Arthur H.	Perkins, George W.
Garfield, George H.	Powers, Wilbur H.
George, Edwin H.	Proctor, George O.
Giles, Joseph J.	Read, Franklin F.
Gillett, Ransom W.	Richmond, Jeremiah T.
Graham, John R.	Rideout, Malcolm E.
Gray, Joshua S.	Roe, Alfred S.
Hale, Charles H.	Sawyer, Samuel L.
Hall, Henry C.	Shute, Charles F.
Harris, Charles E.	Smith, James B.
Hemenway, William H.	Smith, Sumner
Holmes, Charles H.	Smith, Sylvanus
Hooker, Charles H.	Soule, George L.
Horton, Everett S.	Stickney, Clarence
Howard, George C.	St. John, Thomas E.
Howard, S. Edward	Sweet, Andrew H.
Howe, S. Augustus	Tucker, George F.
Hoyt, Warren	Wellman, Arthur H.
Hyde, William S.	Whitcomb, N. Emery
Jenks, George W.	Wilder, Aaron O.
Jennings, Henry J.	Woodsum, B. Herbert

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Edward B.	Messrs. Burbank, Roland E.
Bardwell, Henry D.	Burnham, Lewis
Bartlett, Lewis H.	Ferren, Myron J.
Bourne, Franklin C.	Heald, Joseph B.
Buckley, William P.	Heffernin, Patrick J.

Messrs. Hinds, John F.	Messrs. Mooney, William L.
Jewett, Gilbert L.	Parker, James O.
Kelly, Charles A.	Potter, Samuel A.
Lakin, James A.	Presho, Edward W.
Lawrence, Amos A.	Quinn, Timothy F.
Low, Emery M.	Savage, Patrick J.
Lynch, John B.	Sawyer, Ira O.
Mahoney, Cornelius E.	Sullivan, Benjamin J.
McCarthy, Daniel	Sundberg, John F.
McSolla, Richard F.	

Yeas, 94 ; Nays, 29.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Green, George H. B.*

Mr. Dolan, William J.

* Present.

Previous to the announcement of the vote, Mr. McCall of Winchester rose to a question of order, and called the attention of the House to the fact that Mr. Charles of Boston was present during the roll call, but had not voted, and had not been excused from voting. Point of order.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the name of Mr. Charles, and the name being again called, that gentleman failed to respond.

The Chair stated that it was the duty of every member present to vote unless excused from so doing or unless debarred, under the rule, by private interests distinct from the public interest, and that if any member desired to raise a question in regard to another member not voting, or offer an order or resolution bearing upon the matter, it would be in order.

The Chair then announced the result of the vote, as above.

Papers from the Senate.

The House report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, that the committee were unable to agree, accepted by the House and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the acceptance of the report and asked for a new committee of conference, and that Messrs. Gilman, Shaw and Carberry had been appointed as the committee on the part of

Committee of conference, — safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

that branch. Mr. Bennett of Everett moved that the House concur with the Senate in the appointment of a new committee of conference. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Powers of Hyde Park, the House refused to concur with the Senate in the appointment of a new committee of conference by a vote of 84 to 90, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Sale of intoxicating liquors.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (Senate, No. 252) had failed to pass, not having been approved by two-thirds of the members of the Senate present ;

Town of Webster,—
fire district.

Also that the engrossed Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster (Senate, No. 224), having been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto, had failed to pass ;

Gilded ware.

Also that the House Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding (House, No. 605) had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

Joint Special Committees Appointed.

Joint special committees.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following-named Senators had been appointed to represent that branch on the joint special committees hereafter named : —

To represent the Commonwealth at the opening ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition to be held at Chicago in October of the present year, Messrs. Raymond, Champlin, Clark, Coveney, Mott, Eaton, Dame, Thayer and Hickox.

To examine into the system of introducing business into the General Court, and to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions, Messrs. Smith, Parkman, Merritt and Southwick.

To consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth so far as it relates to courts inferior to the superior court and courts of probate and insolvency, Messrs. Fernald, McDonald and Butler.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the members on the part of the House of the several joint special committees, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate : —

To represent the Commonwealth at the opening ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition to be held

at Chicago in October of the present year, Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Lakin of Westfield, Rideout of Cambridge, Rosnosky of Boston, Barrett of Concord, Clough of Worcester, Wilder of Leominster, Burke of Quincy, Luby of Fall River, McAnally of Lawrence, Bates of Brookline, Dennis of Salem, Fay of Northampton, Battles of Brockton, Jewett of North Adams, Brigham of Hudson, Atwood of Plymouth, Cutler of Taunton, Wood of Boston, Daley of Lynn, Fairbanks of Warren and Sundberg of Boston.

To examine into the system of introducing business into the General Court, and to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions, the Speaker, and Messrs. Durant of Cambridge, Mellen of Worcester, Bliss of Boston, Charles of Boston, Lanigan of Boston, Lyford of Springfield, Hoyt of Haverhill and Dolan of Boston.

To consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth so far as it relates to courts inferior to the superior court and courts of probate and insolvency, Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Ferren of Stoneham, Presho of Boston, Parker of Boston, Kilduff of Holyoke, O'Brien of Marlborough, Ruggles of Franklin and Barney of New Bedford.

Resolutions.

Mr. Tucker of New Bedford being in the chair, Mr. Charles of Boston offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are tendered to the Hon. William E. Barrett for the efficient manner in which he has discharged the important duties of Speaker of this House, bringing to the performance of these duties a ready and accurate knowledge of parliamentary law, a rare intelligence and sound judgment, and winning the personal regard of all members by his invariable courtesy.

*Resolution of
thanks to the
Speaker.*

After remarks by Messrs. Charles of Boston, Durant of Cambridge, Ruggles of Franklin, Wellman of Malden and Mellen of Worcester, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Speaker resumed the chair and spoke as follows : —

Fellow-members of the House of Representatives of 1892 : —
If anything could add to the kindly demonstrations of confidence and respect which have been shown by the members of this House since the first day of its gathering, when they unanimously chose me to act as their speaker during the session, the

words, the vote and this most agreeable gift from your hands would emphasize them in a way which could leave no doubt in the most sceptical heart. But I did not need, my friends, any such evidence from you to convince me of the fact to which I have alluded.

For five months, for my merits, if I have any, and in spite of my demerits, which none appreciate better than myself, you have shown a kindly and a forbearing sympathy and support which I shall never forget, and which, if I had in my hands the necessity of wiping from the tablets of my memory all things but one in my life so far, would be the one which I should choose to have left engraved upon those tablets.

We have had a pleasant session. We have had an agreeable time among ourselves, and I believe we have brought no discredit upon the Commonwealth. We have had a session as all sessions ought to be, when two hundred and forty men, gathered from the hills and valleys, the towns and the cities of this Commonwealth, come together to discuss and consider public questions, — a session made up of differences, of controversy, of discussion. But we have had a pleasant session in spite and perhaps growing out of this fact. We have met and are about to part, I believe, with a high sense of respect one for another, and a high regard for every individual whom we have met.

It may be, my friends, that I might perhaps claim that these evidences which you have given me to-night are personal to myself, but I choose rather to regard them, and I think that your own judgment will say mine is correct in this, — I choose to regard them as an evidence of that general interchange of good feeling which permeates the whole body.

The speaker, as has been well said by my friend in the first division, is nothing but the servant and mouthpiece of this body. He is also, in a certain respect, the representative of it. And I take it that these manifestations of regard and kindly good-will expressed in words towards myself really mean that they spring from the heart as well as from the voice of every man that has spoken, not only towards me, but also towards every other person upon this floor. I choose to regard it that I stand merely as the recipient of those expressions of kindly good-will which run back and forth among all of us gathered here on this, the last occasion we shall be brought together.

I should be remiss, Mr. Speaker, if I did not, in the privilege which I now have, remind you that we have lost one of our number by the sudden hand of death, a man who served with credit to his constituents and to the State. I should be unfair towards our most excellent clerk, who, from one decade to another, has served successive Houses, if I did not voice that which will be spoken more eloquently by others, but which I can appreciate from my own personal sense of support, — if I did not utter the general good feeling which we all have toward our clerk and toward the other officers of

this House, irrespective of rank or station, from the highest to the lowest, all of whom have served us faithfully and well. I feel like speaking as your representative, and especially for myself, brought in daily contact with them all, mine and your most hearty feelings of regard and respect.

Now, my friends, I am not going to discuss what we have accomplished this year. Perhaps there are things we have left undone that we ought to have done; perhaps things done which might have been better undone. That is a matter of history. That is a matter which our constituents will pass upon in their own way. And yet they will come to a conclusion upon those acts with kindly sympathy, appreciating that it is not one man or one man's views which make legislation, but the general consensus of opinion of us all, representing as we do all parts of the Commonwealth.

But there is one thing to which I wish to allude. My life has been a comparatively short one. It was not begun until many of you here had passed middle life. But it has not been entirely devoid of experience and variety, and I think I am making no improper assertion when I say that not only for young but for old men the great, long-to-be-remembered things of life are those associations which bring men of kindred spirits and dispositions into relation with each other. It may be on the hillside farm, it may be in the district school, it may be in the college or workshop, it may be in the busy marts of the city or in the seclusion and restfulness of the country, but all the sweet things of life, whether in public or in the family circle, come from those personal contacts which cause men, women and children to know each other better, and knowing each other better, to love each other more; and those are the things which endure in the heart, though the heads be silvered and hands trembling.

I have served in five legislatures, with something like one thousand men, and I believe I can remember personally and could grasp by the hand and remember the name of almost every one of those one thousand men. I give you my statement that of all the experiences my life has brought to me, — and it has not been devoid of pleasant things, — the events to be remembered are those friendships which I have made in the various spheres of activity in which my lot has been thrown. And I can say to you that when our faults of omission and commission, and when the things which we have done well shall have passed out of public mind, we shall all carry to our homes and in our affections hereafter the pleasant experience of learning to respect each other the more the longer we were associated, and on this, the last night of our meeting, of parting with pleasanter feelings than would have been the case at any previous session of this House.

And now, my friends, I cannot express in words the deep thankfulness I feel. I shall never forget all you gentlemen who

have borne with me in all my failings. This elegant vase which you have presented to me will be placed with those other gifts I have received from your predecessors, and which I value not alone for their intrinsic beauty, — and I am bound to say I have never seen a gift more beautiful than this, — but they will be an evidence forever of pleasant experiences and agreeable friendship.

Now, I can only say in bidding you farewell as speaker of this House, that I shall remember every man here as long as my life lasts, and in this little Commonwealth of only eighty-three hundred square miles, I have every faith to believe that my paths of activity will run across yours so often that we shall keep up the personal friendships we have formed here. But whether that happens or not, if every one should go out from here never again to see another member of the House of '92, I think I am expressing what you believe, as well as my own heart's belief, that near or separated, frequently meeting or never crossing each other's paths again, we shall all feel that we have been better men for having assembled here, and that we shall go out to our life's duties with higher and loftier purposes and nobler ambitions to fulfil our part. And nothing we shall bear out from this hall will do aught to lessen our ambition to do what is true and noble, but our whole experience shall give us higher aims and bring us to richer results than would have been the case had we not met here this year.

Mr. Powers of Hyde Park offered the following resolution :—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Clerk.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives desires to express its thanks to Edward A. McLaughlin for the efficient services rendered by him at the present session as Clerk of the House,—services rendered doubly valuable to the Commonwealth by his long experience and unusual ability.

After remarks by Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, McLoughlin of Milford and McCall of Winchester, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Bliss of Boston offered the following resolution :—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Sergeant-at-
Arms and
assistants.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby expresses and extends to Capt John G. B. Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms, and his assistants, its thanks and high appreciation for the faithful, efficient and impartial manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective positions during the present session.

After remarks by Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Moriarty of Worcester and Roe of Worcester, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Atwood of Plymouth offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives are hereby given to James W. Kimball, assistant clerk, for his uniform courtesy and kindness to the members during the present session of the Legislature.

Resolution of thanks to the assistant clerk.

After remarks by Mr. Atwood, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. St. John of Haverhill offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives be extended to Rev. Mr. Waldron, our efficient Chaplain, who has led in our devotions with a sincere and loyal allegiance to the Prince of Peace.

Resolution of thanks to the Chaplain.

After remarks by Messrs. St. John of Haverhill and Gilbride of Boston, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Prorogation.

Ordered, In concurrence; that a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Prorogation.

Messrs. Simpkins, Kennedy and Arnold having been appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Bennett of Everett, Keliher of Boston, Mooney of Boston, St. John of Haverhill, Holmes of Chelsea, Ball of Upton and Soule of Middleborough were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Tucker, from the committee, afterwards reported that he had waited upon His Excellency the Governor and informed him of the action of the two branches; that His Excellency congratulated the members on the completion of their labor, and said that he would communicate further with the two Houses through the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At ten minutes before one o'clock A.M. the Secretary of the Commonwealth came in and stated that His Excel-

lency had signed during the session 429 acts and 106 resolves; that he had withheld his signature from eleven bills, which have become laws by virtue of the constitutional provision covering such cases; and that he had returned, with his objections thereto, seven bills.

The Secretary further said that he had been directed by the Governor, with the consent of the Council, and in compliance with the request of the two branches, to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next, and the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest :

EDWARD A. McLAUGHLIN,

Clerk.

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ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1892.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
William E. Russell, <i>Governor</i> , . . .	Cambridge,	Jan. 6, 1857,	Cambridge,	Lawyer, . . .	1891
William H. Haile, <i>Lieutenant-Governor</i> , . .	Springfield,	Sept 23, 1833,	Chesterfield, N H.,	Manufacturer, . .	1890
Isaac N. Keith, <i>Councillor</i> , District No. 1, .	Bourne, . .	Nov. 14, 1838,	Sandwich, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1889
Edwin V. Mitchell, " " 2, .	Medfield, . .	Oct. 2, 1850,	Sangerville, Me.,	Manufacturer, . .	1892
Ephraim Stearns, " " 3, .	Waltham,	March 8, 1839,	Waltham, . .	Merchant, . . .	1891
James Donovan, " " 4, .	Boston, . .	May 28, 1859,	Boston, . .	Real Estate, . .	1892
Moses How, " " 5, .	Methuen, . .	June 19, 1819,	Haverhill, . .	Retired Manufactur'r,	1891
Alonzo H. Evans, " " 6, .	Everett, . .	Feb 24, 1820,	Allentown, N H.,	Prest of Savings Bk.,	1892
Georgo F. Morse, " " 7, .	Leominster, .	Oct. 16, 1835,	Leominster, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1892
Elisha Morgan, " " 8, .	Springfield,	Sept. 7, 1833,	Northfield, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1892

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Samuel Roads, Jr, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> ,	Marblehead, .	Oct. 22, 1853,	Marblehead, .	Journalist, .	. 1891
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> ,	Newton, .	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield, .	Insurance, .	. 1881
<i>Heads of Departments.</i>					
William M. Olin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Boston, .	Sept. 18, 1845,	Warrenton, Ga.,	Journalist, .	. 1891
George A. Marden, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lowell, .	Aug. 9, 1839,	Mt. Vernon, N. H.,	Journalist, .	. 1899
John W. Kimball, <i>Auditor</i> ,	Fitchburg, .	Sept. 27, 1828,	Fitchburg, .	Real Estate, .	. 1892
Albert E. Pillsbury, <i>Attorney-General</i> ,	Boston, .	Aug. 19, 1849,	Milford, N. H.,	Lawyer, .	. 1891
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> ,	Salem, .	June 25, 1840,	Salem, .	Merchant, .	. 1888

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

ALFRED S. PINKERTON, PRESIDENT.

DISTRICT.	NAMES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.	
						House.	Senate.
First Suffolk, .	Arthur B. Champlin, .	Chelsea, .	Feb. 7, 1858, .	Chelsea, .	Publisher, .	1887, '88	1891, '92
Second " .	John Reade, .	Boston, .	Dec. 1, 1826, .	City of Kilkenney, .	Auctioneer . and Real Estate.	1879, '80, '81	1891, '92
Third " .	John W. Coveney, .	Cambridge, .	April 10, 1845, .	Cambridge, .	Undertaker, .	1888, '89, '90	1891, '92
Fourth " .	Patrick J. Kennedy, .	Boston, .	Jan. 8, 1858, .	East Boston, .	Trader, .	1886, '87, '88, '89, '90	1892
Fifth " .	Henry Parkman, .	Boston, .	May 23, 1860, .	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1886, '87, '88	1892
Sixth " .	William S. McNary, .	Boston, .	Mar. 29, 1863, .	North Abington, .	Journalist, .	1889, '90	1891, '92
Seventh " .	Michael J. McEitrick, .	Boston, .	June 22, 1846, .	Roxbury, .	Journalist, .	1885, '86, '87, '88, '89, '90, '91	1892
Eighth " .	William H. Carberry, .	Boston, .	Feb. 22, 1851, .	Roxbury, .	Manufacturer, .	1878, '79, '80	1890, '92
Ninth " .	William H. West, .	Boston, .	Jan. 27, 1850, .	Milton, .	Merchant, .	None	1891, '92
First Essex, .	Charles H. Baker, .	Lynn, .	Feb. 2, 1847, .	Solon, Me., .	Manufacturer, .	1883, '84, '91	1892
Second " .	William E. Meade, .	Salem, .	Aug. 2, 1839, .	Salem, .	Locomotive En- gineer.	1890, '91	1892
Third " .	Luther Dame, .	Newbury, .	Mar. 3, 1826, .	Kittery, Me., .	Real Estate, .	1888, '89, '90	1892
Fourth " .	Edward P. Shaw, .	Newburyport, .	Sept. 1, 1841, .	Newburyport, .	Contractor, .	1881, '82, '88, '89	1892

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Fifth "	B. Frank Southwick, .	Peabody, .	July 5, 1835,	Lyndsboro', N. H.,	Fruit and Produce Dealer.	1888	1891, '92
Sixth "	Richard A. Carter, .	Lawrence, .	Feb. 16, 1862,	Ireland, .	Hair Dresser, .	1888, '91	1892
First Middlesex, .	Francis H. Raymond, .	Somerville, .	Feb. 19, 1836,	Charlestown, .	Treasurer, .	1848, '89, '90	1891, '92
Second "	Gorham D. Gilman, .	Newton, .	May 29, 1822,	Hallowell, Me.,	Wholesale Drug-gist.	1849, '90	1891, '92
Third "	John Read, .	Cambridge, .	May 19, 1840,	Cambridge, .	Merchant, .	1888	1892
Fourth "	James W. McDonald, .	Marlborough, .	May 16, 1857,	Marlborough, .	Lawyer, .	1880	1891, '92
Fifth "	Edwin F. Wyer, .	Woburn, .	Sept. 28, 1832,	Cambridge, .	Harness and Saddlery Dealer.	None	1891, '92
Sixth "	B. Marvin Fernald, .	Melrose, .	Feb. 14, 1847,	Great Falls, N. H.,	Lawyer, .	1881, '82	1891, '92
Seventh "	John E. Drury, .	Lowell, .	May 11, 1852,	Boston, .	Plumber, .	None	1891, '92
First Worcester, .	John R. Thayer, .	Worcester, .	Mar. 9, 1845,	Douglas, .	Lawyer, .	1880, '82	1891, '92
Second "	George K. Nichols, .	Grafton, .	April 10, 1827,	Sherbrooke, P. Q.,	Merchant, .	1869	1892
Third "	Eben S. Stevens, .	Dudley, .	Dec. 11, 1846,	Dudley, .	Manufacturer, .	None	1892
Fourth "	Alfred S. Pinkerton, .	Worcester, .	Mar. 19, 1856,	Lancaster, Pa.,	Lawyer, .	1887, '88, '89	1890, '91, '92
Worcester and Hampshire, .	Sidney P. Smith, .	Athol, .	July 13, 1850,	Princeton, Ill.,	Lawyer, .	1887, '88	1891, '92
First Hampden, .	Christopher C. Merritt, .	Springfield, .	Sept. 29, 1830,	Gardner, .	Apothecary, .	1872, '76, '80, '81	1892
Second "	William Provin, .	Westfield, .	Feb. 14, 1842,	Sullivan, Pa.,	Whip Manufacturer, .	1846, '87, '88	1891, '92
Franklin, .	Wilber P. Clark, .	Winchendon, .	Oct. 12, 1832,	Chesterfield, N. H.,	Manufacturer and Merchant.	1877, '79, '83	1891, '92
Berkshire, .	Stephen A. Hickox, .	Williamstown, .	May 20, 1839,	Williamstown, .	Farmer, .	1891	1892
Berkshire and Hampshire, .	Henry A. Kimball, .	Northampton, .	May 3, 1842,	Windham, Conn.,	Coal Merchant, .	1888, '89, '90	1891, '92
First Norfolk, .	William N. Eaton, .	Quincy, .	Dec. 29, 1845,	Quincy, .	Ice Dealer, .	1883, '84	1891, '92
Second "	William F. Ray, .	Franklin, .	Mar. 2, 1854,	Franklin, .	Manufacturer, .	1845, '87	1892
First Plymouth, .	Francis P. Arnold, .	Pembroke, .	Feb. 21, 1836,	Abington, .	Manufacturer, .	1871	1892
Second "	Isaac N. Nutter, .	E. Bridgewater, .	June 23, 1836,	East Bridgewater, .	Treasurer of Savings Bank.	1875, '76	1891, '92
First Bristol, .	Edward Mott, .	Taunton, .	June 19, 1830,	Ashford, Eng.,	Consult'g Engin'r, .	1890, '91	1892
Second "	Robert Howard, .	Fall River, .	Feb. 8, 1845,	England, .	Cotton Spinner, .	1881	1886, '87, '88, '89, '90, '91, '92
Third "	William M. Butler, .	New Bedford, .	Jan. 29, 1861,	New Bedford, .	Lawyer, .	1890, '91	1892
Cape, .	John Simpkins, .	Yarmouth, .	June 27, 1862,	New Bedford, .	Farmer, .	None	1891, '92

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	First Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Concord,	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea,	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Mar. 12, 1862,	Louisville, Ky.,	1889
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	1886
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Sherborn,	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn,	1880*

* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

HON. WILLIAM E. BARRETT, MELROSE, SPEAKER.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY						
No. 1, . . . }	Charles H Nye, .	Barnstable, .	Dec. 9, 1821,	Falmouth, .	Railroad Agent, .	. 1824, '37, 1892
2, . . . }	Elkanah Crowell, .	Yarmouth, .	Feb. 2, 1829,	West Yarmouth,	Master Mariner, .	. 1892
3, . . . }	Osborn Nickerson, .	Chatham, .	May 25, 1846,	Chatham, .	Postmaster, .	. 1892
4, . . . }	Robert B. Jenkins, .	Wellsfleet, .	Sept 16, 1837,	Wellsfleet, .	Inspector of Fish,	. 1891, '92
BERKSHIRE COUNTY						
No. 1, . . . }	Gilbert L. Jewett,	North Adams,	Dec 22, 1839,	Deerfield, .	Shoe Cutter, .	. 1892
2, . . . }	William W. Gallup,	Clarksburg, .	Jan. 29, 1824,	Dalton, .	Farmer, .	. 1892
3, . . . }	Franklin C. Bourne,	Savoy, .	Nov. 3, 1827,	Savoy, .	Farmer, .	. 1892
4, . . . }	Edgar F. Jordan, .	Windsor, .	Oct. 4, 1844,	Cummington,	Farmer, .	. 1892
5, . . . }	Franklin F. Read, .	Pittsfield, .	June 14, 1827,	Windsor, .	Real Estate, .	. 1891, '92
6, . . . }	Roland E. Burbank,	Pittsfield, .	June 1, 1852,	Pittsfield, .	Real Estate, .	. 1892
7, . . . }	Anson Fuck, .	Stockbridge, .	May 3, 1839,	Stockbridge,	Farmer, .	. 1892
	John N. Easland, .	Gt Barrington, .	Mar. 18, 1855,	South Egremont,	Carriage Manufactur'r,	. 1892
	Charles H. Hale, .	Tyringham, .	Jan. 11, 1851,	Tyringham, .	Farmer, .	. 1892

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BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Everett S. Horton, . . .	Attleborough, . . .	June 15, 1836, . . .	Attleborough, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1891, '92
2, . . .	Andrew H. Sweet, . . .	Norton, . . .	Oct. 2, 1845, . . .	Norton, . . .	Box Manufacturer, . . .	1872, '92
3, . . .	Stephen R. Lincoln, . . .	Raynham, . . .	Feb. 1, 1845, . . .	Taunton, . . .	Blacksmith, . . .	1892
4, . . .	George A. Crane, . . .	Taunton, . . .	June 4, 1837, . . .	Taunton, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
5, . . .	George P. Cutler, . . .	Taunton, . . .	Dec 7, 1828, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Florist, . . .	1892
6, . . .	J. Lewis Austin, . . .	Taunton, . . .	Mar. 19, 1851, . . .	Taunton, . . .	Broker, . . .	1891, '92
7, . . .	Silas P. Richmond, . . .	Freetown, . . .	June 19, 1831, . . .	Freetown, . . .	Magistrate, . . .	1892
8, . . .	Benjamin B. Barney, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Jan. 25, 1868, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
9, . . .	Samuel Ross, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Feb. 2, 1865, . . .	Cheshire, Eng., . . .	Mule Spinner, . . .	1892
10, . . .	George F. Tucker, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Jan. 19, 1852, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
11, . . .	Frank W. Francis, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Sept. 16, 1857, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Cigar Manufacturer, . . .	1890, '91, '92
12, . . .	James E. Allen, . . .	Dartmouth, . . .	Feb. 19, 1841, . . .	Dartmouth, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
13, . . .	Patrick B. Luby, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Sept. 7, 1859, . . .	Ireland, . . .	Barber, . . .	1891, '92
14, . . .	Edward J. Hederman, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Nov. 4, 1858, . . .	New Bedford, . . .	Weaver, . . .	1891, '92
15, . . .	Francis Connolly, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Mar. 4, 1849, . . .	Ireland, . . .	Cotton Piece Folder, . . .	1892
16, . . .	Patrick Delaney, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Apr. 26, 1852, . . .	Lancashire, Eng., . . .	Painter, . . .	1892
17, . . .	Michael F. Sullivan, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Sept. 21, 1859, . . .	Wareham, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1892
18, . . .	William Luther, . . .	Somerset, . . .	Apr. 2, 1833, . . .	Somerset, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1891
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Ulysses E. Mayhew, . . .	Tisbury, . . .	Aug. 16, 1848, . . .	Tisbury, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1891, '92
ESSEX COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Samuel J. Brown, . . .	Amesbury, . . .	Oct. 2, 1835, . . .	Salisbury, . . .	Boot and Shoe Dealer, . . .	1892
2, . . .	Richard Newell, . . .	W. Newbury, . . .	Apr. 17, 1839, . . .	West Newbury, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1891, '92

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2,	Warren Hoyt,	Haverhill,	Jan 4, 1848,	N. Danville, N. H.,	Editor, .	1892
3,	Thomas E. St. John,	Haverhill,	Mar 2, 1831,	Canterbury, N. Y.,	Mfg. Loan and Investment Co.,	1886, '92
4,	James O. Parker,	Methuen,	Nov 22, 1827,	Pembroke, N. H.,	Fire Insurance,	1874, '91, '92
5,	Ira O. Sawyer,	Haverhill,	Jan. 16, 1838,	Haverhill,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1892
6,	Dennis E. Halley,	Lawrence,	May 6, 1862,	Natick,	Reporter,	1892
7,	William Cannon,	Lawrence,	Nov 15, 1829,	Ireland,	Cotton and Wool Mfr.,	1891, '92
8,	William H. Hart,	Lawrence,	Mar 28, 1864,	Charlestown,	Baggage Master,	1892
9,	Frank McAnally,	Lawrence,	Nov 29, 1855,	Lawrence,	Operative,	1891, '92
10,	James B. Smith,	Andover,	Oct 1, 1828,	Andover,	Manufacturer,	1892
11,	Edwin H. George,	Groveland,	May 2, 1858,	Groveland,	Contractor,	1892
12,	Arthur C. Richardson,	Newburyport,	Oct 31, 1837,	Newburyport,	Railroad Agent,	1890, '91, '92
13,	Eben S. Dole,	Newburyport,	Aug 8, 1847,	Newburyport,	Overseer Hat Factory,	1892
14,	George Fall,	Ipswich,	Oct 30, 1850,	Ipswich,	Lumber and Coal,	1892
15,	Sylvanus Smith,	Gloucester,	Mar 10, 1829,	Rockport,	Fishing Vessels,	1892
16,	Howard G. Lane,	Gloucester,	Dec 15, 1850,	Rockport,	Jeweller,	1891, '92
17,	Miles S. Andrews,	Essex,	Jan. 17, 1856,	South Essex,	Milk Dealer,	1892
18,	George H. Friend,	Gloucester,	Dec 8, 1846,	Gloucester,	Janitor,	1892
19,	George A. Galloupe,	Beverly,	Oct 28, 1850,	Beverly,	Contractor,	1892
20,	Samuel A. Potter,	Salem,	Sept 2, 1850,	Salem,	Insurance,	1892
21,	Joseph L. Lougee,	Salem,	Dec 3, 1836,	E. Parsonsfd, Me,	Furniture,	1892
22,	William D. Dennis,	Salem,	Oct 11, 1847,	Salem,	Architect,	1892
23,	Henry C. Sparhawk,	Marblehead,	Feb 19, 1865,	Marblehead,	Accountant,	1891, '92
24,	Eugene A. Bessom,	Lynn,	June 11, 1856,	Lynn,	Pharmacist,	1892
25,	Charles T. Jackson,	Swampscott,	Aug 18, 1837,	Lynn,	Shoe Cutter,	1892
26,	Lewis H. Bartlett,	Lynn,	-	Wareham,	Machine Button Holes,	1892
27,	Edward L. Daley,	Lynn,	Oct 6, 1854,	Danvers,	Shoemaker,	1892
28,	John M. Danforth,	Lynnfield,	Jan. 1, 1840,	Lynnfield,	Farmer,	1891, '92
29,	Charles M. Bacheller,	Lynn,	June 29, 1863,	Lynn,	Soles and Leather,	1891, '92

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ESSEX Co. — Con.						
No. 20, . . .	Lemuel M. Brock, .	Lynn, .	Nov. 6, 1837, .	Stratford, N. H., .	Patent Medicines, .	1891, '92
21, . . .	William W. Lowe, .	Saugus, .	Feb. 7, 1834, .	Buckfield, Me., .	Investment Broker, .	1892
22, . . .	Francis H. Appleton, .	Peabody, .	June 17, 1847, .	Boxford, .	State Board Agriculture, .	1891, '92
	Samuel L. Sawyer, .	Danvers, .	June 20, 1845, .	Boxford, .	Salesman, . . .	1891, '92
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	George W. Jenks, .	Shelburne, .	Jan. 14, 1840, .	Shelburne Falls, .	Boot and Shoe Merch't, .	1892
2, . . .	William H. Hemenway, .	Shutesbury, .	Dec. 28, 1846, .	Shutesbury, .	Farmer, . . .	1892
3, . . .	Henry D. Bardwell, .	Montague, .	Oct. 24, 1856, .	Hatfield, . . .	Periodic's and Station'y, .	1892
4, . . .	Horace E. Miller,* .	Conway, .	May 23, 1849, .	Savoy, . . .	Printer, . . .	1892
5, . . .	Ransom W. Gillett, .	Heath, . . .	Nov. 27, 1847, .	Whittingham, Vt., .	Farmer, . . .	1892
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Erastus D. Larkin, .	Tolland, .	- 1835, .	Sandlake, N. Y., .	Farmer, . . .	1892
2, . . .	James A. Lakin, .	Westfield, .	- 1841, .	Boston, . . .	Insurance, . . .	1891, '92
3, . . .	Henry W. Ashley, .	Westfield, .	Feb. 16, 1856, .	Westfield, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
4, . . .	Richard G. Kilduff, .	Holyoke, .	July 1, 1854, .	Lancashire, Eng., .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
5, . . .	William P. Buckley, .	Holyoke, .	Aug. -, 1859, .	Cork, Ireland, .	Clerk, . . .	1890, '91, '92
6, . . .	Eugene J. O'Neil, .	Chicopee, .	Feb. 29, 1856, .	Chicopee, . . .	Manufact'r of Fabric, .	1891, '92
7, . . .	Frederick H. Gillett, .	Springfield, .	Oct. 16, 1851, .	Westfield, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1891, '92
8, . . .	John W. Adams, .	Springfield, .	June 20, 1858, .	Stratham, N. H., .	Nurseryman, . . .	1892
9, . . .	Edwin F. Lyford, .	Springfield, .	Sept. 8, 1857, .	Waterville, Me., .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
10, . . .	John A. Driscoll, .	Springfield, .	June 18, 1860, .	Springfield, .	Upholsterer, . . .	1892
	Edward S. Brewer, .	Springfield, .	June 13, 1846, .	Springfield, .	- . . .	1892
	Sumner Smith, .	Hampden, .	Aug. 21, 1825, .	Willington, Ct., .	Merchant, . . .	1892
	Hiram E. W. Clark, .	Palmer, . .	Apr. 16, 1835, .	New Salem, .	Provision Dealer, .	1891, '92

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.							
No.	1,	James M. Fay,	Northampton,	Mar. 23, 1847,	Chester,	Physician and Surgeon,	1892
	2,	Arthur F. Nutting,	Northampton,	Feb. 4, 1861,	Northampton,	Insurance,	1891, '92
	3,	Charles H. Hooker,	Westhampton,	Sept. 14, 1850,	Westhampton,	Farmer,	1892
	4,	Thomas M. Carter,	Williamsburg,	July 17, 1832,	Hawley,	Druggist,	1892
	5,	George H B Green,	Belchertown,	Dec. 15, 1845,	Southampton,	Teacher and Farmer,	1892
		William S. Hyde,	Ware,	June 20, 1838,	Ware,	Banker,	1892
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.							
No.	1,	William B. Durant,	Cambridge,	Sept. 29, 1844,	Barre,	Lawyer,	1890, '92
	2,	Isaac McLean,	Cambridge,	Mar. 3, 1841,	-	Carpenter and Builder,	1891, '92
	3,	Horace E. Clayton,	Cambridge,	-	Kenneb'k'p't, Me.,	Clerk,	1889, '90, '92
	4,	Daniel H. Coakley,	Cambridge,	Dec. 10, 1865,	Cambridge,	Journalist,	1892
	5,	Stephen Anderson,	Cambridge,	Dec. 24, 1840,	Ireland,	Brass Founder,	1891, '92
	6,	Malcolm E. Rideout,	Cambridge,	June 9, 1851,	St. Stephen, N.B.,	Mouldings,	1891, '92
	7,	John Hopewell, Jr.,	Cambridge,	Feb. 2, 1845,	Greenfield,	Woollen Manufactur'r,	1892
	8,	George W. Perkins,	Somerville,	July 1, 1842,	Tamworth, N.H.,	Grocer,	1891, '92
	9,	Joseph J. Giles,	Somerville,	Mar. 24, 1842,	Somerville,	Real Estate and Ins,	1891, '92
	10,	George O. Proctor,	Somerville,	Feb. 23, 1847,	Rockingham, Vt.,	Hay and Grain,	1892
	11,	William B. Lawrence,	Medford,	Nov. 15, 1856,	Charlestown,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
	12,	Charles F. Shute,	Malden,	June 17, 1838,	Malden,	Milk Dealer,	1892
	13,	Arthur H. Wellman,	Malden,	Oct. 30, 1855,	East Randolph,	Lawyer,	1892
	14,	Frank P. Bennett,	Everett,	May 2, 1853,	Cambridge,	Editor,	1891, '92
	15,	William E. Barrett,	Melrose,	Dec. 29, 1858,	Melrose,	Editor,	'89, '9, '90, '1, '2
		Myron J. Ferren,	Stonham,	Aug. 16, 1836,	Corinth, Vt.,	Machinist,	1889, '90, '91, '2
		James H. Carter,	Wakefield,	Nov. 16, 1832,	South Reading,	Retired,	1891, '92
		Thomas D. Hevey,	Woburn,	Aug. 14, 1846,	Ireland,	Currier,	1891, '92
		Henry C. Hall,	Woburn,	-	Waterville, Me.,	Merchant,	1892
		Samuel W. McCall,	Winchester,	Feb. 28, 1851,	Ray's Hill, Pa.,	Lawyer,	1888, '89, '92

* Died Thursday, June 9.

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MIDDLESEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 16, . . .	J. Henry Fletcher, . . .	Belmont, . . .	Sept. 26, 1844, . . .	Charlestown, . . .	Provision Dealer, . . .	1890, '92
17, . . .	Dwight Chester, . . .	Newton, . . .	Mar. 2, 1835, . . .	Maryland, N. Y. . .	Life Insurance, . . .	1891, '92
18, . . .	S. Edward Howard, . . .	Newton, . . .	May 15, 1840, . . .	Jamaica, Vt. . .	Cattle Ranching, . . .	1891, '92
19, . . .	Mahlon R. Leonard, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Jan. 8, 1836, . . .	Pierpont, N. Y., . .	Grocer, . . .	1892
20, . . .	Henry J. Jennison, . . .	Weston, . . .	June 8, 1842, . . .	Templeton, . . .	School Furniture, . .	1892
21, . . .	Richard F. Barrett, . .	Concord, . . .	Aug. 4, 1848, . . .	Concord, . . .	Fire Insurance, . . .	1891, '92
22, . . .	Chas. H. Kohlrausch, Jr.,	Billerica, . . .	Aug. 6, 1848, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Chemist, . . .	1892
23, . . .	Patrick J. Savage, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Feb. 26, 1863, . . .	Boston, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1891, '92
24, . . .	Fred N. Wier, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 4, 1861, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1891, '92
25, . . .	John W. McEvoy, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 8, 1865, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1892
26, . . .	Robert G. Bartlett, . .	Lowell, . . .	April 8, 1894, . . .	Hopkinton, N. H., .	Real Estate, . . .	1891, '92
27, . . .	Clarence G. Coburn, . .	Lowell, . . .	Jan. 15, 1850, . . .	Dracut, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1891, '92
28, . . .	Amasa Pratt, . . .	Lowell, . . .	July 28, 1842, . . .	Waterville, Me., . .	Doors, Sash and Blinds,	1891, '92
29, . . .	Charles H. Hobson, . . .	Lowell, . . .	June 20, 1857, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Supt Manuf. Co., . .	1891, '92
30, . . .	Edgar S. Dodge, . . .	Natick, . . .	Oct. 21, 1853, . . .	Enfield, N. H., . . .	Physician, . . .	1891, '92
31, . . .	Granville C. Fiske, . .	Ashland, . . .	Aug. 21, 1845, . . .	Eden, Vt., . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
32, . . .	Russell M. French, . . .	Frammingham, . . .	Apr. 22, 1860, . . .	Washington, . . .	Contractor, . . .	1892
33, . . .	George E. Cutler, . . .	Hudson, . . .	Aug. 22, 1824, . . .	Holliston, . . .	Savings Bank Treas'r,	1892
34, . . .	William H. Brigham, . .	Marlborough, . . .	Feb. 1, 1863, . . .	Feltonville, . . .	Shoe Manufacturer, . .	1892
35, . . .	John J. O'Brien, . . .	Boxborough, . . .	June 11, 1862, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	Shoe Cutter, . . .	1892
36, . . .	N. Emery Whitcomb, . .	Pepperell, . . .	Apr. 11, 1856, . . .	Wells, Me., . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
37, . . .	Joseph B. Heald, . . .	Pepperell, . . .	Mar. 18, 1850, . . .	Choctaw Nation, I. T.,	Physician, . . .	1892
38, . . .	Clarence Stickney, . .	Townsend, . . .	July 12, 1849, . . .	Townsend, . . .	Cooperage, . . .	1892
NANTUCKET COUNTY						
No. 1, . . .	Arthur H. Gardner, . .	Nantucket, . . .	Aug. 4, 1854, . . .	San Francisco, Cal., .	Publisher, . . .	1891, '92

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NORFOLK COUNTY.

No. 1,	George S. Winslow,	Norwood,	Apr. 6, 1829,	South Dedham,	Tanner,	1892
2,	Jacob P. Bates,	Brookline,	Apr. 7, 1843,	Abington,	Grocer,	1892
3,	Wilbur H. Powers,	Hyde Park,	Jan. 22, 1849,	Croydon, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1890, 91, '92
4,	George R. R. Rivers,	Milton,	May 28, 1853,	Providence, R. I.,	Lawyer,	1892
5,	John R. Graham,	Quincy,	Dec. 19, 1847,	Ireland,	Boot and Shoe Mfr.,	1892
6,	James F. Burke,	Quincy,	Nov. 2, 1861,	West Quincy,	Granite,	1891, '92
7,	Zechariah L. Bicknell,	Weymouth,	June 20, 1820,	East Weymouth,	Dry Goods,	1892, 91, '92
8,	Robert P. Capen,	Braintree,	Oct. 4, 1857,	Randolph,	Tack Manufacturer,	1891, '92
9,	Timothy F. Quinn,	Sharon,	May 6, 1824,	Stoughton,	Dairy Farmer,	1891, '92
10,	Amos P. Woodward,	Franklin,	Dec. 27, 1863,	Boston,	Unloading Vessels,	1892
11,	Henry E. Ruggles,	Franklin,	Dec. 23, 1837,	Franklin,	Salesman,	1892
12,	N. Frank Harding,	Medfield,	July 25, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1892
			Nov. 3, 1843,	Medfield,	Carpenter and Builder,	1892

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

No. 1,	Edward B. Atwood,	Plymouth,	May 13, 1845,	Wellfleet,	Lumber Dealer,	1892
2,	E. Elbridge Atwood,	Kingston,	Mar. 8, 1842,	Carver,	Road Commissioner,	1892
3,	Thomas Barstow,	Norwell,	Apr. 26, 1850,	Norwell,	Carpenter and Builder,	1892
4,	Amos A. Lawrence,	Cohasset,	Nov. 3, 1847,	Cohasset,	Merchant,	1892
5,	Joshua S. Gray,	Rockland,	Aug. 16, 1840,	East Abington,	Dry Goods,	1892
6,	Jeremiah T. Richmond,	Abington,	Mar. 24, 1829,	Taunton,	Machinist,	1892
7,	Hiram W. Barrows,	Wareham,	Jan. 19, 1834,	Wareham,	Carriage Maker,	1892
8,	George L. Soule,	Middleboro',	Mar. 25, 1832,	Middleborough,	Furniture Dealer,	1892
9,	George C. Howard,	W. Bridgewater,	Oct. 2, 1860,	W. Bridgewater,	Farmer,	1892
10,	George H. Garfield,	Brockton,	July 18, 1858,	West Dennis,	Provision Dealer,	1892
11,	Emery M. Low,	Brockton,	Mar. 29, 1859,	Roxbury,	Paper Boxes,	1892
12,	David W. Battles,	Brockton,	Jan. 20, 1854,	No. Bridgew'r,	Foreman Shoe Factory,	1892

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Lewis Burnham, .	East Boston, .	Apr. 23, 1844,	Essex, .	Real Estate and Ins'ce,	1892
	Frank C. Wood, .	East Boston, .	Sept. 20, 1849,	Freedom, N. H., .	Dry Goods, .	1897
2.	Charles A. Kelly, .	East Boston, .	Apr. 7, 1858,	Dubuque, Iowa, .	Printer, .	1892
	Benjamin J. Sullivan, .	East Boston, .	Jan. 12, 1856,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1891, '92
3.	Cornelius E. Mahoney, .	Charlestown, .	-	Charlestown, .	Engineer, .	1891, '92
	John F. Sundberg, .	Charlestown, .	Oct. 15, 1860,	Gottenberg, Sweden, .	Photo-Mechanical Etcher, .	1892
4.	William H. Oakes, .	Charlestown, .	Jan. 24, 1857,	Cohasset, .	Grocer, .	1891, '92
	Edward E. Turner, .	Charlestown, .	Apr. 15, 1837,	Charlestown, .	Wood Carver, .	1897
5.	Edward W. Preshe, .	Charlestown, .	May 29, 1859,	Charlestown, .	Subscription Books, .	1890, '91, '92
	Charles M. Dacey, .	Charlestown, .	Aug. 7, 1863,	Charlestown, .	Undertaker, .	1892
6.	Jeremiah J. Crowley, .	Boston, .	Aug. -, 1852,	Boston, .	Upholsterer, .	1891, '92
	James O. Fallon, .	Boston, .	Mar. 16, 1840,	Ireland, .	Clerk, .	70, 71, '91, '92
7.	Patrick F. Brogan, .	Boston, .	Jan. 8, 1862,	Boston, .	Printer, .	1892
	Edward P. Clark, .	Boston, .	Dec. 4, 1854,	Boston, .	Stable Keeper, .	1892
8.	Daniel F. Breen, .	Boston, .	June 7, 1860,	Boston, .	Instructor of Rowing, .	1891, '92
	Michael B. Gilbride, .	Boston, .	Feb. 13, 1866,	Boston, .	Manuf. Agricult' Implementa, .	1892
9.	Charles E. Harris, .	Boston, .	1852,	Boston, .	Caterer, .	1892
	George v. L. Meyer, .	Boston, .	June 24, 1858,	Boston, .	Merchant, .	1892
10.	Bowdoin S. Parker, .	Boston, .	Aug. 10, 1841,	Conway, .	Lawyer, .	1892
	Charles F. Sprague, .	Boston, .	June 10, 1857,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1891, '92
11.	James M. Olmstead, .	Boston, .	Feb. 6, 1862,	Frammingham, .	Lawyer, .	1891, '92
	Perlie A. Dyar, .	Boston, .	Mar. 26, 1857,	Lynn, .	-	1891, '92
12.	Patrick J. Heffermin, .	Boston, .	-	Boston, .	Liquor Dealer, .	1891, '92
	Daniel P. Toomey, .	Boston, .	Mar. 16, 1861,	Ireland, .	Publisher, .	1892

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13,	Daniel McCarthy, .	South Boston,	July 1, 1856,	Boston,	Boiler Maker,	1891, '92
14,	Thomas A. Quinn,	South Boston,	- 1858,	Boston,	Printer,	1892
15,	Charles J. Chance,	South Boston,	Dec. 19, 1857,	Cambridge,	Barber,	1891, '92
16,	Richard F. McSolla,	South Boston,	Jan. 27, 1855,	South Boston,	Bottler,	1891, '92
17,	Joseph J. Casey, .	South Boston,	Dec. 25, 1863,	Boston,	Clothing Dealer,	1892
18,	John B. Lynch, .	South Boston,	Apr. 13, 1858,	Boston,	Salesman,	1890, '91, '92
19,	Isaac Rosnosky, .	Boston,	Nov. 6, 1846,	Wollstein, Prussia,	Clothing Manufact'r,	1890, '91, '92
20,	Thomas J. Keliher,	Boston,	Oct. 13, 1858,	Boston,	Grocer,	1891, '92
21,	Andrew M. Lanigan,	Boston,	July 10, 1860,	Boston,	Clerk,	1892
22,	Bernard M. Wolf,	Boston,	Feb. 17, 1862,	Boston,	Merchant,	1890, '92
23,	Augustus G. Perkins,	Boston,	June 20, 1846,	Newcastle, Me.,	Paper Dealer,	1891, '92
24,	S. Stillman Blanchard,	Boston,	June 23, 1835,	Cambridge,	Merchant,	1891, '92
25,	Charles H. Bryant,	Boston,	May 28, 1854,	Boston,	Confectionery,	1892
26,	William J. Dolan,	Boston,	Nov. 4, 1864,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1892
27,	John J. Hoar,	Boston,	June 1, 1864,	Ireland,	Commercial Traveller,	1892
28,	John Golding,	Boston,	Apr. -, 1849,	Ireland,	Piano Varnisher,	1891, '92
29,	Benjamin F. Brown,	Boston,	Feb. 23, 1834,	Roxbury,	Life Insurance,	1892
30,	John H. Norton,	Boston,	June 9, 1839,	Chelsea,	Leather Merchant,	1892
31,	William L. Mooney,	Boston,	Feb. 16, 1867,	Roxbury,	Real Estate,	1891, '92
32,	Salem D. Charles,	Boston,	Mar. 19, 1850,	Brinfield,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
33,	William G. Baker,	Boston,	June 9, 1845,	Derry, N. H.,	Treasurer,	1891, '92
34,	Frederic W. Bliss,	Dorchester,	Oct. 14, 1852,	Rehoboth,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
35,	Louis M. Clark,	Dorchester,	Dec. 14, 1858,	Dorchester,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
36,	Bentley W. Warren,	Brighton,	Apr. 20, 1864,	Brighton,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
37,	Charles H. Holmes,	Chelsea,	Oct. 4, 1859,	Chelsea,	Wharfinger,	1892
38,	Marcus M. Merritt,	Chelsea,	Apr. 1, 1839,	Templeton,	Cigars and Tobacco,	1898, '92
39,	John C. Loud,	Chelsea,	July 26, 1844,	Plymouth, Me.,	Real Estate,	1891, '92
40,	Albert W. Richardson,	Winthrop,	Aug. 28, 1854,	Winthrop,	Plumber,	1891, '92

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WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Charles Crosman,	Athol,	Dec. 27, 1839,	Athol,	Grocer,	1897
2,	Percival Blodgett,	Templeton,	1841,	Orange,	Merchant,	1898, '99
3,	S Augustus Howe,	Gardner,	July 2, 1839,	Gardner,	Merchant,	1891, '92
4,	George R. Simonds,	Barre,	Apr. 2, 1852,	Northfield,	Merchant,	1892
5,	Stillman F. Morse,	Holden,	Nov. 23, 1857,	Putnam, Conn.,	Mfr of Cotton Goods,	1897
6,	Albert G. Blodgett,	W. Brookfield,	Sept. 2, 1841,	Monson,	Physician,	1897
7,	Edward Fairbanks,	Warren,	Nov. 20, 1836,	West Brookfield,	Merchant,	1897
8,	J. Bradford Sargent,	Leicester,	June 14, 1859,	Leicester,	Steam Engineer,	1897
9,	Lemuel Healy,	Dudley,	Sept. 23, 1835,	Dudley,	Farmer,	1897
10,	John F. Hinds,	Webster,	May 1, 1819,	Worcester,	Jeweller,	1891, '92
11,	Henry C. Batcheller,	Sutton,	Sept. 5, 1830,	Sutton,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1897
12,	George S. Ball,	Upton,	May 22, 1822,	Leominster,	Clergyman,	1894, '95
13,	John T. McLoughlin,	Milford,	June 2, 1865,	Worcester,	Insurance,	1891, '92
14,	Michael Carroll,	Blackstone,	July 11, 1849,	Blackstone,	Clerk,	1891, '92
15,	George H. Rugg,	Grafton,	Jan. 14, 1825,	Leominster,	Boot and Shoe Mfg'r,	1892
16,	DeWitt C. Nichols,	Southborough,	Aug. 13, 1846,	Wendell, Conn.,	Farmer,	1892
17,	Andrew L. Nourse,	Bolton,	Jan. 24, 1842,	Griswold, Conn.,	Farming,	1897
18,	Wellington E. Parkhurst,	Cililton,	Jan. 19, 1835,	Fitchburg,	Editor,	1897
19,	Aaron O. Wilder,	Leominster,	Aug. 4, 1833,	Rose, N. Y.,	Merchant,	1890, '91, '92
20,	Edward W. Ackley,	Fitchburg,	Apr. 16, 1838,	Croydon, N. H.,	Machinist,	1891, '92
21,	Henry F. Rockwell,	Fitchburg,	Sept. 9, 1849,		Apothecary,	1897
22,	Alfred S. Roe,	Worcester,	June 8, 1841,		Editor,	1897
23,	James P. Crosby,	Worcester,	Aug. 15, 1835,		Iron and Metal,	1897

18,	.	Eugene M. Moriarty,	Worcester,	Apr. 15, 1849,	Ireland,	Journalist,	1880, '81, '82, '88, '90, '91, '92
19,	.	James H. Mellen,	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	1877, '78, '79, '81, '83, '86, '88, '89, '91, '92
20,	.	James F. Melaven,	Worcester,	Nov. 19, 1858,	Worcester,	Painter,	1892
21,	.	Henry J. Jennings,	Worcester,	Nov. 25, 1829,	Brookfield,	Gold and Silver Plate,	1892
22,	.	Henry G. Taft,	Worcester,	1836,	Upton,	Grocer,	1891, '92
23,	.	George S. Clough,	Worcester,	May 2, 1839,	Kenneb'kpt, Me.,	Real Estate,	1891, '92

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Office.
Edward A. McLaughlin, <i>Clerk.</i>	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1883
James W. Kimball, <i>Assistant Clerk.</i>	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Lynn,	Printer,	1888
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms,</i>	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	-	1886
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain.</i>	Boston,	Nov. 11, 1840,	Augusta, Me.,	Clergyman,	1879

[No. 2.]

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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THE SPEAKER.

1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business. (Senate Rule 1.)

2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House. (2.)

[With regard to appeals, see Rules 82 and 93.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided. (53.)

[See Rules 64 to 68.]

4. In all cases he may vote. (3.)

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting. (2.)

6. He shall each day examine the journal of the House.

7. He may appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding three days at one time. (4.)

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892.]

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior member present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order. (5.)

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the Rules and, on request of the Speaker, to

return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the Rules after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[See Rule 19.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting, and shall cause the same to be printed daily. (6.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

12. Every question of order with the decision thereon shall be entered at large in the journal, and shall be noted in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules of the House, and of the two branches. (6.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters laying on the table; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct. (7.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired: *provided*, that the operation of this Rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session. (8.)

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up, to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking; or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair; nor stand at the Clerk's desk while a roll-call is in progress.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

17. No member shall be absent more than two days, without leave of the House. No member shall absent himself from

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the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence. When it appears to the presiding officer that the presence of a quorum is endangered he shall order the doors to be closed until the House takes action thereon. (11.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

18. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

19. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the Rules, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor; and, until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

20. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows: — (12.)

A committee on Rules;

(to consist of the Speaker, who shall be chairman of the committee, and eight other members).

A committee on the Judiciary;

A committee on Probate and Insolvency;

A committee on Finance;

(to consist of nine members each).

A committee on Elections;

A committee on County Estimates;

(to consist of seven members each).

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

A committee on Engrossed Bills;

A committee on Pay-Roll;

A committee on Leave of Absence;

(to consist of three members each).

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

21. Unless other provision is made in any case all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman. (13.)

22. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman. (13.)

23. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor chairman of more than one.

24. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

25. The committee on Finance shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert, and shall state in its report the total amount of appropriations in the accompanying bill; and also at the end of each item in said bill the amount, if any, appropriated the previous year for the same purpose.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

26. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment. (31.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1880.]

27. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay. (32.)

28. All bills and resolves for introduction on leave, resolutions, petitions and all orders of inquiry contemplating legislation, intended for presentation by any member of the House, and all reports of state officers, shall first be deposited with the Clerk, and, prior to their presentation, shall be submitted by him to the committee on Rules for inspection. The committee shall examine the same for the purpose of ascertaining (1) whether the legislation proposed is plainly and specifically stated or already provided for; (2) whether such matters are in proper form; (3) that reference to the proper committee is designated; and (4) that compliance has been had with the Rules of the House and the joint rules of the two branches. Every such matter shall be returned by the committee to the Clerk not later than on the third legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with the Clerk, unless consent in writing to the longer detention thereof is filed with the clerk of the committee on Rules by the member presenting the same, and it shall be presented to the House not later than on the next legislative day after it is so returned.

The committee on Rules shall make no change in the substance, form or reference of any such matter unless with the consent of the member introducing the same, but every such matter shall, upon its presentation to the House, be accompanied by a recommendation of the committee on Rules recommending such amendment or such other action to the House as seems to it advisable within the scope of its duties as above set forth. When no committee of reference is specified the committee may insert the name of the proper committee.

If, upon recommendation of the committee on Rules, a petitioner is given leave to withdraw because the petition is not in proper form such action shall not be deemed to be a final rejection under Rule forty-eight, and shall not prejudice the right of the member to present another petition for the same object in proper form and conformably to the rules: *provided*, such new petition is deposited either before adjournment, on the first Wednesday of February or within one week from the time the House takes such action.

[Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

29. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be. (16.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

30. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition; nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred; nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee

reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court, for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof, shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for or amendment of such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. (15.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890.]

31. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885 as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890 or by other provisions of law; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee, on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. (23.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890; amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

32. On or before the fourth Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day.

[Amended Feb. 15, 1883; Feb. 2, 1891.]

Committee of the Whole.

33. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

34. The Rules of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

35. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call for such papers.

36. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered. (18.)

Papers from the Senate.

37. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of these Rules as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

38. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials and remonstrances, or those received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Orders of Inquiry.

39. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference be made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates. (19.)

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

40. The consideration of an order or resolution proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, or any motion to suspend Joint Rules eight, nine, twelve or thirteen, or House Rules thirty, thirty-one, forty-four or forty-five, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement. (22.)

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 94.]

41. Bills shall be printed or written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (17.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

42. If a committee to whom a bill is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be, "Shall this bill be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill, if it has been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question; otherwise it shall be placed in the orders for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (28.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883.]

43. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, or grant of public property, shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth. New provisions shall not be added to such bills by the committee on Finance, unless directly connected with the financial features thereof. (25.)

[Amended Jan. 24, 1887; Feb. 11, 1890.]

44. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee. (24.)

45. Amendments proposed by the Senate and sent back to the House for concurrence shall be referred to the committee

which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches ; in which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day.

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

46. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee: *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill ; but, when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave ; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed before it is ordered to a second reading. (21.)

47. Bills, resolves and other papers that have been, or, under the Rules or usage of the House, are to be printed, shall be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested. (27.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1883.]

48. When a bill, order, petition, memorial or remonstrance has been finally rejected by the House, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session. (52.)

[Amended April 26, 1877 ; Feb. 11, 1890.]

49. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction and report. (31.)

[See Rule 26.]

50. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days. (26.)

51. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison and report. (32.)

[See Rule 27.]

52. No engrossed bill shall be amended, except by striking out the enacting clause. (32.) (47.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

53. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted ; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered. (32.)

54. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

55. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, bills favorably reported to the House by committees, and bills the question of the rejection of which is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for the next day, and, if they have been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question. (24.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883; Feb. 5, 1886.]

56. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule fifteen. (34.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

57. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading, but shall not be acted upon until report is made thereon by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. (30.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

58. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of. (35.)

59. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders of the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under Rules fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider. (33.)

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of Order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 40.]

60. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course. (36.)

61. If, under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when, under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (29.)

VOTING.

62. No member shall vote upon any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

63. Members desiring to be excused from voting shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate, and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule sixty-seven. (55.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Feb. 5, 1886.]

64. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound. (53.)

65. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate upon the question. (53.)

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

66. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted. If upon the taking of such a vote the presence of a quorum is doubted,

a count of the House shall be had, and if a quorum is present the vote shall stand.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1889.]

67. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before such time, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting, but shall be included with the members voting for the purposes of a quorum. (54.) (55.)

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; April 2, 1878; April 1, 1879; Feb. 2, 1891.]

68. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under Rules sixty-four, sixty-five and sixty-six, shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under Rules sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted. (50.)

Reconsideration.

69. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall only be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be moved before the Orders of the Day are taken up and shall be forthwith considered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. (51.)

[Amended June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

70. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be

twice reconsidered ; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions : —

to adjourn,
to lay on the table,
to take from the table ; or,
for the previous question. (51.)

71. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes ; but on a motion to reconsider a vote upon any subsidiary or incidental question, debate shall be limited to ten minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886 ; June 13, 1890.]

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of consideration has expired, see Rule 15.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

72. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker ; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities ; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker. (37.)

73. When two or more members rise at the same time the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not. (38.)

74. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (40.)

75. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question. (39.)

Motions.

76. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker so directs. (42.)

77. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made. (42.)

78. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate ; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, to commit, to recommit or to postpone to a time certain, not exceeding ten minutes shall be

allowed for debate ; and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (50.)

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878 ; Jan. 26, 1880 ; Feb. 2, 1891.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 63.]

[For call for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 68.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 82.]

79. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of, the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature ; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,

See Rule 78.

for the previous question,

See Rules 80-85.

to close the debate at a specified time,

See Rules 84, 85.

to postpone to a time certain,

See Rules 78 and 86.

to commit (or recommit),

See Rules 78 and 87.

to amend,

See Rules 88-91.

to refer to the next General Court,

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule. (44.)

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892.]

Previous Question.

80. The previous question shall be put in the following form : “ *Shall the main question be now put ?* ” — and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

81. On the previous question, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and that only to give reasons why the main question should not be put ; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

82. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal ; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 93.]

83. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate except as provided in Rule eighty-five, and bring

the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892.]

Motion to Close Debate at a Specified Time.

84. Debate may be closed at any time not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. In case the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed. (45.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Jan. 15, 1890.]

[See the next Rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

85. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Finance, under House Rule forty-three, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Finance is substantially different from that referred to them, in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the Finance Committee reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close. When the member entitled to speak under this rule is absent, the member standing first in order upon the committee reporting the measure, who is present and joined in the report, shall have the right to occupy such time.

[Amended March 28, 1877; Feb. 11, 1890.]

Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain.

86. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit. (49.)

Motion to Commit.

87. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order : —

- a standing committee of the House,
- a select committee of the House,
- a joint standing committee,
- a joint select committee ;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House. (46.)

Motions to Amend.

88. A motion to amend an amendment may be received ; but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

89. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. (48.)

90. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment ; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it. (43.)

91. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (49.)

Enacting Clause.

92. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall only be received when the bill is before the House for enactment.

[Amended June 13, 1890.]

APPEAL.

93. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded ; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.

[See Rule 82.]

RESOLVES.

94. Such of these Rules as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senatè, shall apply likewise to such resolves as require the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the governor, in order to become laws and have force as such; except in Rule fifty-three the word "bill" shall be equivalent to the word "resolve" in the same place.

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

95. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot, at least one day previous thereto, except in the cases provided for in Rule eight. (56.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

SECRET SESSION.

96. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

97. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the Clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the Chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 34, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the Chairman of the committee on the Judiciary; that numbered 15, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Finance; that numbered 52, in the first division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Probate and Insolvency; and that numbered 39, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Railroads on the part of the House.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878; Jan. 6, 1882.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors : —

Those numbered 8 and 11, in the first division ;
 100 and 104, in the second division ;
 96 and 99, in the third division ;
 92 and 95, in the fourth division ;
 87 and 91, in the fifth division ; and
 4 and 7, in the sixth division.

[Amended Jan. 6, 1882.]

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The Clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors ; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him, shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the Sergeant-at-Arms within five days from the day of the drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

98. The following persons shall be entitled to admission to the floor of the House, during the session thereof, to occupy seats not numbered : —

(1.) The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor and Attorney-General, Librarian and Assistant Librarian.

(2.) The members of the Senate.

(3.) Persons in the exercise of an official duty directly connected with the business of the House.

(4.) The legislative reporters assigned to seats in the reporters' gallery. (56.)

(5.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

No other person shall be admitted to the floor during the session except upon the permission of the Speaker; and it shall not be in order for the Speaker to entertain a motion for the suspension of this rule or to present from the chair the request of any member for unanimous consent. (58.) (59.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1890.]

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER.

99. Use of the Representatives' Chamber shall not be granted except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon: *provided*, that the use of the chamber for the purpose of holding a hearing before a joint committee or a committee of the House may be granted by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon. (14.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

100. The rules of parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these Rules or the joint rules of the two branches. (60.)

DEBATE ON MOTIONS FOR THE SUSPENSION OF RULES.

101. Debate upon a motion for the suspension of any of the joint rules or House Rules shall be limited to fifteen minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1889; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT AND REPEAL.

102. Nothing in these Rules shall be dispensed with, altered or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this Rule, and Rules forty, forty-eight, forty-nine, sixty-one, sixty-nine, ninety-eight and ninety-nine, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present. (61.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1890; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

QUORUM.

103. One hundred and twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum for the organization of the House and the transaction of business.

[Adopted Feb. 8, 1892.]

ADMISSION TO CLOAK ROOM, ETC.

104. No persons except members of the legislature and executive departments of the State government and persons employed in such departments, members of the press, the postmaster of the House and the telegraph operator, shall be admitted during the session of the House or during the half hour preceding or succeeding the session, to the cloak room, reading room or clerk's room of the House, or to the passages connecting said cloak and reading rooms, unless invited by the speaker or sergeant-at-arms, or introduced by a member in person at the time of such admission.

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COMMITTEES.

1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Constitutional Amendments ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House.

- A committee on Federal Relations ;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- A committee on Insurance ;
- A committee on Libraries ;
- A committee on the Liquor Law ;
- A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
- A committee on Printing ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;
- A committee on Taxation ;
- A committee on Towns ;
- A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on

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Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the **Judiciary**, on Probate and Insolvency, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 5, 1883; Jan. 7, 1884; Jan. 8, 1885; Jan. 26, 1885; Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 12, 1887; Jan. 9, 1888; Jan. 28, 1889; Jan. 8, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 11, 1892, and Feb. 10, 1892.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. No joint committee shall be given authority to travel outside of the limits of the Commonwealth except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon, and no committee shall so travel except at the expense of the Commonwealth. In any case when a committee is authorized to travel, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall provide transportation only for members of the committee and the officer accompanying them, and the reasonable travelling expenses of such members and officers only shall be charged to or paid by the Commonwealth. Neither the Sergeant-at-Arms nor the officer detailed by him shall permit any person to accompany such committee while in the discharge of its official duties, unless invited by vote of the committee.

All bills for the travelling expenses of committees shall, in such form and detail as may be prescribed by the Auditor of the Commonwealth, be submitted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the committee by whom they have been incurred; and such bills, before they are presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth, shall first be approved by a majority of the committee incurring them. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall procure from the

Auditor and shall, on the first Monday in each month, transmit to the General Court in print a statement of all such bills which have been presented to the Auditor during the preceding month. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

4. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

5. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch, but no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

6. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

7. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate." [Amended Feb. 2, 1891]

Notice to Parties Interested.

8. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies,

shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommitment with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890.]

9. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, or by other provisions of law; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or

referred to another committee ; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

10. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the fourth Wednesday in March. All matters upon which no report has then been made, shall, on or before the following Monday, be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

Committees of Conference.

11. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote ; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference

Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.

12. Resolutions, and petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves introduced on leave and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, deposited with the Clerk of either branch subsequent to adjournment on the first Wednesday in February, shall, when presented, be referred to the next General Court ; but this rule shall not apply to petitions in aid of, and remonstrances against, legislation already introduced and pending, nor shall it apply to a petition offered in place of a former one having in view the same object, upon which, before reference to a committee, leave to withdraw was given because the same was not in proper form, provided that such subsequent petition is deposited with the Clerk of either branch within one week from the day on which leave to withdraw was given. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 7, 1890, and Feb. 2, 1891.]

Requests for Legislation to be Deposited with the Clerks.

13. Petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves for introduction on leave and all other subjects of legislation, and all resolutions, intended for presentation to the General Court by any member, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the branch to which such member belongs, and shall be laid before such branch not later than at the session of the fourth legislative day succeeding the day on which the same have been so deposited. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

14. The joint committee on Rules shall have authority to prescribe the manner and form of keeping the dockets of legislative counsel and agents which are required by law. [Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

Duties of the Clerks.

15. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

16. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

17. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

18. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

19. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

20. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: — two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886, and Jan. 28, 1889.]

21. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Constitutional Amendments.

22. All resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the question upon agreeing to an amendment to the Constitution shall be taken by yeas and nays. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Joint Conventions.

23. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

24. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

25. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

26. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

27. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

28. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

[No. 4.]

QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

[The figures in the following paragraphs refer to the page of the journal on which the questions and decisions are entered.]

That amendments broader in their scope than the subject-matter on which a report is based are not in order. [246, 522, 551, 552, 564, 712, 814, 839, 840, 975, 1138, 1159.]

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That a bill involving the expenditure of public money is improperly in the Orders of the Day for consideration unless it has been previously referred to the committee on Finance. [330, 824, 1168.]

That after a bill has been passed to be engrossed and a motion to reconsider has been made and entertained in violation of House Rule 69 after the Orders of the Day have been taken up, and the bill has been postponed for further consideration until a subsequent day, it is too late on such subsequent day after the intervention and transaction of new business to raise the point of order that the bill is not properly before the House. [380, 381.]

That a bill contemplating legislation cannot be offered as an amendment to a report of a committee, leave to withdraw, on a petition which simply asks for a public hearing, and not for legislation. [460.]

That Rule 89, which provides that no proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of an amendment is not violated if the amendment moved is in the nature of a proviso or condition. [536, 839, 840.]

That no recommittal shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. (See Joint Rule No. 5.) [619.]

That after a bill has been ordered to a third reading it is too late to raise the point of order that the bill is in violation of House Rule No. 29 which relates to the action of the committee. That it is too late to review or revise the action of a committee after the bill has been ordered to a third reading. [698.]

That it is in order to move to recommit a bill after it has been laid aside on a point of order. [724.]

That a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors is not germane to a petition asking that the sale of malt and spirituous liquors be prohibited. (2 Gray, 502, instead of 3 Gray, as in the journal.) [730.]

That an amendment providing for a modification of existing law is not germane to a bill providing for the repeal of a law. [786.]

That a report of a committee made without authority cannot be considered. [877.]

That when a bill reported by a joint committee has been recommitted to a committee of the House simply for the purpose of making it conform to the provisions of the order upon which it was based, and not for examination into its merits, and has been subsequently reported back to the House, the member originally in charge of the measure is entitled to the ten minutes under Rule 85, and not the member of the committee to which it was recommitted. [914.]

That after a bill has been reported by a committee, it is too late to raise the point of order that the bill is improperly before the House for the reason that the order upon which it was reported did not specify the chapter as well as the section to which it related, in accordance with House Rule 39; that the point of order should have been made at the time the order was presented and previous to its adoption. [922.]

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That a bill having been substituted in the Senate in the form of an amendment for a House bill, it is not within the province of the House to review the action of the Senate. [1161.]

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[No. 5.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Order relative to preventing the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing, 104; report (inexpedient), 527; accepted, 548.
- Report of the State Board of Health relative to the sale of articles containing, 252; report (S. no legislation necessary), 570; accepted, 590.

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- Petition (S.) for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312, Acts of 1885, as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation for the three years preceding, 203; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 873; accepted, 891.
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- Petition for such modification of the law of, as will more surely guard the rights of defendants, 157; petition in aid, 301; report (leave to withdraw), 514; accepted, 547.

Attleborough, Petition that Fire District No. 1 of, may take an additional water supply, 46; bill reported, 302, 317, 329; enacted, 382.**ATTORNEY-GENERAL:**

- Votes for, committee on returns of, appointed, 9; report (S.) accepted, 11; notified of election, 15.
- Annual report of the, 67. (For bills reported, see "Trial Justices;" also "Felony;" also "Criminal Cases.")
- Bill (reported, in part) to amend section 8 of chapter 17 of the Public Statutes relating to the duties of the, 515, 534, 550; enacted, 620.
- Report (no further legislation necessary), 705; accepted, 860.
- So much of the report of the, as relates to the short term endowment orders. (See "Fraternal Beneficiary Corporations.")
- So much of the report of the, as relates to the lobby. (See "Lobby.")
- So much of the report of the, as relates to the failure of corporations to make tax returns. (See "Corporations.")
- Order relative to requiring the, to transmit to the House his opinion on certain questions of law as to the interpretation of the amendment to the Constitution relative to what constitutes a quorum of each branch of the General Court, 77, 86; opinion received, 118. (For rule reported, see "Rules.")
- Order relative to providing that the, shall consult and advise with the Civil Service Commissioners on questions of law, 126; report (inexpedient), 511, 531, 698; accepted, 860.
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- Order relative to requesting the opinion of the, on the constitutionality of the bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving, 1096, 1106; opinion received, 1118.

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Order relative to requesting the opinion of the, on the constitutionality of the bill concerning the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston, 1163; opinion received, 1154.

Attorneys-at-law, Order relative to the soliciting of employment, in cases of personal injury, by, 146; bill reported, 496, 636, 649; rejected, 941.

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Votes for, committee on returns of, appointed, 9; report (S.) accepted, 11; notified of election, 15.

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Report of the, on the expenses of committees for publishing advertisements of committee hearings, 652; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 765.

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Baby farming. (See "Infants.")

Bacon, Thomas H., Petition for incorporation as a ship canal company. (See "Cape Cod Ship Canal.")

Bail in criminal cases. (See "District, Police and Municipal Courts.")

Bail fees, Order relative to abolishing, regulating or reducing, in cases of drunkenness and other misdemeanors, 167; report (inexpedient), 493; accepted, 518.

Bakers' Protective Assembly, relief of, from burdens imposed by laws relating to labor on the Lord's Day. (See "Lord's Day.")

Ballast, taking of, from beaches. (See "Beaches.")

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Bankruptcy, Bill (on leave) relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors, 37, 244, 262, 274, 581, 691; enacted, 732.

Banks (see "Savings Banks;" also "National Banks"), Order relative to limiting the amount which cities and towns may deposit in a single bank or banking institution, 160; report (inexpedient) accepted, 640.

Baptisms (see "Births, Marriages and Deaths"), Order relative to returns by clergymen of, 144; report (inexpedient), 324; accepted, 340.

Barbour, James K., Petition that, may be made eligible to receive State aid, 137; resolve reported, 572, 618, 634, 648; passed, 772.

Barnard, George A., Petition (S.) of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 91; resolve (S.) reported, 463, 473, 487, 505; passed, 532.

Barnes, Augustus, Petition that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 46; resolve reported, 352, 368, 383, 392; passed, 476.

Barns, Order relative to preventing the building of, sheds or other buildings used for cattle near dwelling-houses, 164; report (inexpedient), 367; accepted, 383.

Barnstable, Bill (on leave) to amend an act entitled "An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and," 134, 418, 427, 500, 595, 611, 649; enacted, 723.

Barnstable County, Petition (S.) of the clerk of courts of, for increase of salary, 31; bill reported, 205, 221, 235; enacted, 402.

Barre, Petition for a water supply and the organization of a water supply district, in the town of, 139; report (leave to withdraw), 528; accepted, 548.

Bartholomew, Frank A., Petition of, for an elevated railway. (See "Rapid Transit.")

BARN RIVER FISHERIES:

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Petition relative to legislation concerning the, so as to protect the spawning place of fish, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 567; accepted, 574.

Baths, Order relative to providing free warm, for the poor during the winter months, 215; report (inexpedient), 367; accepted, 382.

Bay State Elevated Railway Company. (See "Rapid Transit.")

Bay State Gas Company. (See "Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.")

Beaches, Order relative to the unlawful taking of ballast from, 162; petition in aid, 211; bill reported, 630, 648, 660; enacted, 732.

Beacon Trust Company, Petition for incorporation of the, 102; bill reported, 398, 403, 421, 472; enacted, 502.

Beetle, David S., Petition of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 375; resolve reported, 546, 572, 591, 601; passed, 686.

Belchertown, Petition for ratification of the proceedings of a town meeting of the town of, 506, 544; bill reported, 729, 752, 772; enacted, 833.

Benevolent Fraternity of Churches, Petition (S.) of the, for authority to hold additional estate, 279; bill reported, 484, 504, 521, 615; enacted, 645.

Bent, George O., Petition of, for compensation for injuries received at the Reformatory Prison for Women, 103; resolve (S.) reported, 746, 778, 791, 801; passed, 819.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY:

Petition of the special justices of the district court of northern, for an increase of salaries, 112; bill reported, 608, 622, 687; referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System, 929.

Petition that, be authorized to pay to the family of C. H. Ingalls, late county commissioner, the balance of his salary, 136; bill reported, 295, 304, 317; enacted, 372.

Beverly Marine Railway Corporation, Petition that the, may be authorized to mortgage its property, 157; bill reported, 596, 621, 660; enacted, 732.

Biennial elections and sessions. (See "Constitutional Amendments.")

BillERICA, Petition that the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in, may be exempted from taxation, 333; report (reference to the next General Court), 409; recommitted, 420; bill reported, 497, 520, 612; enacted, 686.

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Order relative to contingent liability of endorsers, 147; order relative to providing that a creditor holding collateral from an endorser can prove his whole claim against the insolvent maker, 195; report (inexpedient), 513; accepted, 533.

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Relating to the record and return of marriages, 798, 811, 826; enacted, 875.

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Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company. (See "Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.")

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Boards and commissions, procedure by and before. (See "Administrative Boards and Commissions.")

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Petition of the, that the provisions of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891 shall apply to shares issued under chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1890, 43; bill reported, 443, 457, 467, 501, 755, 956, 1094; enacted, 1157.

Petition that the grade crossings of the, on Causeway and Traverse streets in the city of Boston be abolished, 213; report (leave to withdraw), 465, 475; accepted, 534.

Boston and Providence Railroad (see "Old Colony Railroad"); terminal station in Boston. (See "Rapid Transit.")

Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company, Petition of the, for authority to extend and operate its tracks in Winthrop, 321; bill reported, 409, 420, 437, 444, 473, 487, 505; enacted, 620.

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BOSTON, CITY OF:

So much of the Governor's address as relates to returning the control of the police of, to said city, 18; order relative to placing the control of the police force in the, in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor, 184; report (S. inexpedient), 681; accepted, 695.

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Seventh annual report of the board of police of the, 27, 327; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 1046.

So much of the report of the board of police of the, as relates to intoxicating liquors. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")

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Motion that a special committee of the House be appointed to investigate the board of police of the, 28; rejected, 39.

Order (S.) relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court, 37; bill reported, 205, 221, 235; enacted, 427.

Petition that the, be authorized to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern, 67; report (leave to withdraw), 823; accepted, 834.

Petition of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the, for an increase of salary, 68; bill reported, 204, 221, 235; enacted, 427.

Petition (S.) of the, for an extension of time for the completion of L street bridge, 74; bill (S.) reported, 173, 205, 222; enacted, 234.

Petition for legislation authorizing the payment of salaries to members of the common council in the, 78; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 764; accepted, 780.

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- Order relative to providing additional clerical assistance for the municipal court of the, for keeping records of probation officers, 89; report (inexpedient), 492; accepted, 518.
- Petition relative to pensions in the fire department of the, 95; bill reported, 860, 876, 912, 980, 992; enacted, 1023.
- Petition for legislation authorizing the city council of the, to take land for a city hall, 95; bill (S.), 1029, 1117; rejected, 1128.
- Order relative to making an additional appropriation, to be expended under the direction of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, for obtaining statistics as to tenements in the, 99; resolve (S.) reported, 260, 296, 305, 318; passed, 339.
- Petition for legislation relative to leave of absence of members of the fire department of the, 102; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 859.
- Order relative to placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in the, in the executive of said city, 104; report (S. inexpedient) accepted, 690.
- Petition that the, be authorized to pay to the widow of Nicholas A. Apollonio the balance of the salary which would have been payable to said Apollonio as city registrar, 110; bill reported, 296, 304, 317; enacted, 371.
- Order relative to amending the law concerning municipal lighting in the, 114; report (inexpedient), 357, 371, 984; accepted, 1084.
- Petition that Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson be placed on the pension roll of the fire department of the, 116; resolve reported, 683, 696, 711; passed, 772.
- Petition of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the, for an increase of salary, 121; bill reported, 546, 675, 696; referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System, 929.
- Order relative to legislation to enable the, to make appropriations for hospitals other than the city hospital, 122; report (inexpedient), 324; accepted, 339.
- Order relative to increasing the term of office of common councilmen in the, 123; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 358.
- Shawmut Congregational Society in the. (See "Shawmut Congregational Society.")
- Order relative to the annexation of Cambridge to the, 140; petition in aid, 472; remonstrances against, 430, 439; report (reference to the next General Court), 683; accepted, 695; notice from the Senate that the report had been indefinitely postponed, 764.
- Order relative to the election of one alderman from each ward in the, 141; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 859.
- Petition (S.) of the assistant clerk of the South Boston municipal court for increase of salary, 151; bill reported, 529, 549, 696; referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System, 906.
- Petition for legislation to more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the board of police of the, 155; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 655; accepted, 675.
- Home for Aged Men in the. (See "Home for Aged Men.")
- Petition for legislation to permit the, to appropriate money for pensions, 156; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1059, 1084; accepted, 1111.
- Bill (on leave) relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the, 155; order relative to legislation specifying the material to be used in the construction of buildings in the, 160; order relative to adopting the recommendations of the commission appointed by the, concerning the construction of buildings, 227; bill reported, 1002, 1116, 1128, 1137; enacted, 1178.
- Quicker railroad transportation between the, and New York. (See "New York and New England Railroad.")

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- Order relative to increasing the number of probation officers in the municipal court of the, 168; bill reported, 495, 520, 648; enacted, 771.
- Order (S.) relative to transferring the duties and powers of the city clerk of the, relative to elections, to the registrars of voters of said city, 172, 202; report (inexpedient), 570; accepted, 690.
- Order (S.) relative to requiring the, to construct additional cells at the House of Industry at Deer Island, 172, 202, 273; report (S. inexpedient), 717; accepted, 733.
- Order (S.) relative to the grading and classification of prisoners at Deer Island, 172, 202, 273; report (inexpedient), 717; accepted, 733.
- Petition (S.) that a woman may be appointed as a member of the commissioners of public institutions of the, 174; report (leave to withdraw), 418; accepted, 428.
- Petition for the repeal of the act concerning the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the, 179; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 691.
- Petition that the park commissioners of the, may be authorized to take Jamaica and Ward's ponds for public park purposes, 179; bill reported, 874, 920, 930, 978; enacted, 1047.
- Order relative to providing for a single legislative body in the, 183; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 859.
- Order relative to providing that the term of office of the mayor of the, shall be two years, 184. (For bill reported, see "Mayors.")
- Order relative to placing the Suffolk County court-house in charge of the, for completion, 184. (See "Suffolk County Court-house.")
- Order relative to authorizing the, to borrow money for park purposes in Wards 6 and 7, 184; petitions relative to the establishment of parks at the North End, 179, 553, 652; bill (S.) reported, 728, 758, 789, 801; enacted, 851.
- Order relative to placing the gathering of statistics relating to health in the, with the board of health of said city, 184; report (S. inexpedient), 744; accepted, 772.
- Order relative to providing that in the, on the petition of an owner of an estate abutting on a street, the sidewalk of such street may be paved, 184; bill reported, 1011, 1050, 1064; enacted, 1151.
- Order relative to providing that the, shall pay into the sinking funds for water debts only the sums required to carry out the purposes of said sinking funds, 185; order relative to amending the laws concerning the Cochituate water supply of the, 185; order relative to providing for turning the surplus income received by the water board of the, into the water debt sinking fund, 214; bill (S.) reported, 681, 696, 712; enacted, 733.
- Order relative to providing that in the, on the petition of an owner of an estate abutting on a street, a sewer may be laid in such street, 185; bill reported, 1011, 1050, 1064; enacted, 1151.
- Order relative to providing that in the, on the petition of an owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets may grade and macadamize or pave such street, 186; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1045; accepted, 1063.
- Order relative to providing that a less sum than twenty-five per cent. of the estimated cost of laying out and constructing a street shall be required before the street commissioners of the, shall order the laying out and construction of a street, 185; order relative to amending chapter 323, Acts of 1891, relating to the laying out and construction of highways in the, by striking out the proviso relating to the cost of construction, 186; order relative to legislation concerning the powers and duties and appointment of officers mentioned in the act relative to the construction of highways in the, 227; bill (S.) reported, 1059, 1111, 1150; enacted, 1167.

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- Order relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for the, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen, to construct or repair any street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street, 186; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1045; accepted, 1063.
- Order relative to providing that the treasurer of the, may issue bonds for the payment of construction of parks, 186; report (S. inexpedient), 440; accepted, 456.
- Order relative to legislation concerning the enacting style and method of publishing the regulations of the board of aldermen of the, 187; bill reported, 388, 403, 412; enacted, 467.
- Order relative to requiring the approval of the board of survey of the, for laying out, altering or discontinuing public ways, 196, 217; report (S. inexpedient), 1045; accepted, 1063.
- Order relative to consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the, 196, 217; report (S. inexpedient), 1045; accepted, 1074.
- Order (S.) relative to providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the, by a general vote, 197; report (inexpedient) accepted, 859.
- Order (S.) relative to increasing the number of aldermen in the, to eighteen members, 197; report (reference to the next General Court), 843; accepted, 876.
- Order (S.) relative to increasing the number of aldermen in the, to eighteen, twelve to be elected by districts and six at large, 197; report (reference to the next General Court), 843; accepted, 876.
- Order (S.) relative to increasing the number of aldermen in the, to eighteen or twenty-one members, and to provide for minority representation, 197; report (reference to the next General Court), 843; accepted, 891.
- Order (S.) relative to the pensioning of members of the police department of the, 198; bill (S.) reported, 991, 1037; enacted, 1062.
- Order (S.) relative to vesting in the overseers of the poor of the, the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers, 198; report (S. reference to the next General Court) accepted, 690.
- Grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company on Causeway and Traverse streets in the. (See "Boston and Maine Railroad.")
- Applications for employment in the departments of the. (See "Civil Service.")
- Order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks in the, in one of the regular departments of the, 214; report (S. inexpedient), 440, 456; accepted, 682.
- Alteration of the tracks, stations and yards of the Old Colony Railroad in the. (See "Old Colony Railroad Company.")
- Order relative to cancelling the obligations of the, now or hereafter held by the sinking fund commissioners, 217, 229; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 907.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to regulate the use of bituminous coal in the, 219; report (S. leave to withdraw) accepted, 507.
- Petition (S.) of the, for authority to borrow money for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries Street to Wood Island Park, 219; report (S. leave to withdraw) accepted, 1059.
- Petition authorizing the taking of land near the State House by the State House commission in case a city hall is erected near the State House, 224; remonstrance against, 797. (See "State House.")
- Order relative to establishing the office of registrar of births, marriages and deaths in the, 228; bill (S.) reported, 798, 811, 874; enacted, 981.
- Order (S.) relative to the organization of the overseers of the poor of the, 230, 241; bill (S.) reported, 472, 487, 535; enacted, 589.

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- Petition relative to pensioning members of the fire department of the, 237.
- Order (S.) relative to providing that the county tax and expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and rate of taxation in the, 241; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 907.
- Petition relative to laying out a street of easy grade from Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge Street in the, 247; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 859.
- Bill (taken from the Senate files) relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out of, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the, 252.
- Petition (taken from the Senate files) of the constables of the South Boston municipal court that their salaries may be increased, 280; report (leave to withdraw), 425; accepted, 435.
- Sale of intoxicating liquors in the, on election days. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")
- Petition that the, be authorized to take part of the old cemetery on Walter Street near Weld Street in the West Roxbury district for street purposes, 284; bill (S.) reported, 627, 711, 752; enacted, 800.
- Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning blasting in the, 285; bill (S.) reported, 681, 711, 753; enacted, 800.
- Park Street Congregational Society in the. (See "Park Street Congregational Society.")
- Organization of a new parish in the (See "Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the Church of the Messiah.")
- Petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation to authorize the, to indemnify citizens for loss or damage sustained while assisting police officers, 540, 655; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 807; accepted, 967.
- Resolutions relating to the establishment of a life-saving station at City Point, 679, 703; adopted, 765.
- Bill to provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the (reported, in part, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 720, 734, 752; enacted, 825.
- Petition (S.) that the, may be authorized to protect and preserve the purity of the waters of Sudbury River, 858; bill (S.) reported, 1120, 1158, 1175 (yea and nay, 1176), 1185; enacted, 1196.
- Boston Elevated Railway Company. (See "Rapid Transit.")
- Boston Emergency Hospital, Petition of the, for an appropriation, or that Boston be authorized to make an appropriation for the, 158; report (leave to withdraw), 367; accepted, 383.
- Boston Gas Company, Investigation of the. (See "Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.")
- BOSTON HARBOR:**
 - So much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the pilot commissioners, 594; order relative to the appointment of pilot commissioners for, 258, 277; remonstrances against, 414, 463; report (S. no legislation necessary), 872; accepted, 892.
 - Bill to protect the shores and beaches of (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), 581, 892, 1064; enacted, 1102.
- Boston Industrial Temporary Home, Petition for the consolidation of the, and the Appleton Temporary Home, 157; bill reported, 473, 487, 505; enacted, 588.
- Boston Rubber Shoe Company, Petition of the, for authority to increase its capital stock, 29; bill reported, 176, 205, 221, 235; enacted, 291.
- Boston Seamen's Friend Society, Petition of the, for leave to hold additional property, 579; bill (S.) reported, 755, 780, 811; enacted, 825.

Bourne, school superintendency district to include the towns of, Sandwich and Mashpee. (See "Sandwich.")

Braintree, Petition for an amendment of the act to supply the town of, with water, 1106; bill reported, 1148; enacted, 1179.

BRIBERY:

Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate reports of, of members of the Legislature in connection with matters of legislation, 1107; committee authorized to sit during the sessions of the House, 1120; report, 1157; accepted, 1166.

Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider the expediency of disbaring Horace K. Osborne as a legislative agent, 1163; committee appointed, 1193; committee authorized to send for persons and papers and employ a stenographer, 1171; order reported and adopted, 1193.

Brickley, John, Petition of, that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, 181; resolve reported, 400, 426, 436, 447; passed, 589.

Bridgewater, Petition (S.) that the Commonwealth relinquish to the town of, the right of way across certain land of the State Normal School in, 907; bill (S.) reported, 1029, 1072, 1087, 1105; enacted, 1151.

BRIDGEWATERS WATER COMPANY:

Petition (S.) of the, for authority to issue new bonds, 204; bill reported, 572, 601, 696; enacted, 771.

Petitions that the, may be authorized to extend its pipes into West Bridgewater, 333; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 357.

Bridgman, A. M., Petition of, and another, for incorporation for publishing purposes. (See "Legal and Legislative Notices.")

BRISTOL COUNTY:

Petition (S.) that the treasurer of, may be allowed an additional sum for clerical assistance, 53; bill reported, 425, 435, 447; enacted, 588.

Order relative to records of plans, instruments and deeds in the north district of, 105; report (inexpedient), 513; accepted, 533.

Petition that the terms of the probate court of, may be held at Attleborough, 183; petition in aid, 387; report (reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System) accepted, 508.

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Petition for the annexation of a part of the town of West Bridgewater to the, 44; remonstrance against, 96, 450, 463; bill reported, 515, 532, 591, 698, 631, 645; rejected, 738.

Petition of the, for authority to incur indebtedness for building a city hall, 110; bill (S.) reported, 301, 317, 329; enacted, 346.

Petition of the, for further exemption from the provisions of law limiting the rate of taxation in cities, 110; bill (S.) reported, 294, 304, 318; enacted, 339.

Petition relative to the election of assistant assessors in the, 110; bill (S.) reported, 312, 329, 341; enacted, 359.

Petition of the, for authority to incur indebtedness for constructing a system of sewerage, 110; bill (S.) reported, 717, 751, 759; enacted, 779.

Order relative to increasing the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of the, 165. (See "Clerks of Courts.")

Petition of the, for authority to make certain improvements in West Street in said city, 179; bill (S.) reported, 745, 758, 773; enacted, 791.

Petition of the, for authority to take lands in Easton and West Bridgewater for sewerage purposes, 180; bill reported, 669, 750, 804, 811, 910, 940, 949, 989; enacted, 1086.

Petition of the, for authority to effect an additional water loan, 249; bill reported, 325, 340, 348; enacted, 402.

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Petition relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the, 1058; bill (S.) reported, 1120, 1136; enacted, 1158.

Petition for legislation to prohibit the drawing off of the water of certain ponds in the, 1145; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1184.

Brockton Street Railway Company. (See "Whitman Street Railway Company;" also "East Side Street Railway Company.")

Brokers, Bill (S.) relating to the fraudulent conversion of money deposited for a specific purpose, 482, 497, 521, 550; enacted, 589.

Bromfield Street Methodist Church, Petition of the trustees of the, for authority to sell its real estate, 138; bill reported, 409, 420, 428; enacted, 486.

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Petition for authority to take land in Watertown, Belmont or Waltham for the purpose of increasing the water supply of the, 755, 773; bill (S.) reported, 969, 988, 1074, 1136, 1161; enacted, 1187.

Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association, Petition (S) for an act of incorporation as the, 130; bill (S.) reported, 351, 360, 372; enacted, 391.

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- Carney Hospital, Petition (S.) of the, for an appropriation, 84; remonstrance against, 886; report (leave to withdraw), 595, 644; resolve substituted, 688, 843, 875; rejected (yea and nay), 937 (yea and nay), 944.
- Caterpillars and canker-worms, Order relative to the extermination of, 122; petition (S.) for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways, 130; report (leave to withdraw), 243; recommitted, 262; bill (reported) to provide for the destruction of, within the limits of highways, 418, 428, 437; recommitted, 460; new draft, 642, 660, 759; notice of rejection by the Senate, 842.
- Cattle Commissioners, annual report of the, 48. (See "Tuberculosis.")
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- Order relative to extending the provisions of law concerning rights in burial lots, 52; bill (reported) relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public, in towns, 399, 412, 421; enacted, 645.
- Central Massachusetts Railroad Company, Petition of the, for an enlargement of its power to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage, 43; bill reported, 693, 722, 829, 1038; enacted, 1151.
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- Charitable corporations, voting by proxy by. (See "Corporations.")
- Charles, John, Petition (S.) that, may be made eligible to receive State aid, 59; resolve (S.) reported, 387, 399, 412, 421; passed, 435.
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- Charles River valley system of sewerage. (See "Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.")
- Chatham, Petition of the town of, for authority to refund its bonds, 182; bill reported, 630, 647, 660; enacted, 732.
- Chattels, taxation of. (See "Taxation.")
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- Chelsea bridge, Petition for legislation to promote the safety of travel over, 344; bill (S.) reported, 928, 960, 973, 1013, 1022, 1036; enacted, 1136.
- CHELSEA, CITY OF:
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- Petition for legislation to enable the, to change its ward lines, 268; report (leave to withdraw), 617, 674; accepted, 1018.
- Petition (S.) relative to the payment of certain bonds, notes or scrip issued by the, 1097; bill (S.) reported, 1146; enacted, 1168.

- Cherry trees, removal of wild, from highways. (See "Highways.")
- Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association, Petition of the, for a decrease of capital stock, 238; bill reported, 378, 392, 404; enacted, 455.
- Chicopee, city of, Petition of the, for authority to take an additional water supply, 1000; bill reported, 1046, 1062, 1075; enacted, 1136.
- Chicopee Water Company, Petition of the, for authority to increase its water supply, 140; report (leave to withdraw), 409; accepted, 420.

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- So much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in schools and the employment of, in manufacturing establishments, 19. (See "Schools.")
- Petition for legislation concerning the attendance of, at shows, 62; report (leave to withdraw), 512, 632, 1073, 1088; accepted, 1122.
- Order relative to the attendance of, at places of amusement, 65; report (inexpedient), 512, 632, 1073, 1088; accepted, 1122.
- Petition for legislation to prevent cruelty to, 159; bill reported, 515, 535, 562; notice of rejection by the Senate, 639.
- Bill (S.) concerning the settlement of illegitimate (reported, in part, on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity), 681; referred to the next General Court, 722.
- Order (S.) relative to prohibiting the employment of, unless they have attended school at least thirty weeks during the year next preceding such employment, 241; bill (S.) reported, 753, 780, 799, 810, 944, 967, 973; enacted, 1047.
- Chronic insane, Bill (S.) to establish an asylum for the (reported, in part, on the report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity), 570, 746, 833, 888, 948, 960, 972, 1015; new draft (S.), 1108, 1148, 1162, 1168, 1175, 1192; enacted, 1196.
- Churches, exemption from taxation of. (See "Taxation.")
- Cigarettes, Order relative to prohibiting the manufacture and sale of, 34; report (inexpedient), 362, 316; bill substituted, 349, 353, 390, 404, 410, 413, 421; rejected (yea and nay), 458.

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- So much of the Governor's address as relates to a general law for the government of, 19; report (no legislation necessary), 981; accepted, 1024.
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- Erection of buildings in, for the use of working men and women. (See "Working Men and Women.")
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- Order (S.) relative to increasing the limit of indebtedness of, 230; report (S. inexpedient), 872; accepted, 892.
- Report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 on the subject of a general form of municipal charter, 639; bill (S. reported) to provide for the establishment of city governments, 943, 988, 1008; enacted, 1121.
- Terms of office of mayors of. (See "Mayors.")

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- Use of public parks in. (See "Public Parks.")
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- Order relative to limiting the amount which, may deposit in a single bank or banking institution, 160; report (inexpedient) accepted, 640.

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- Taking of land for laying out and widening of streets in. (See "Highways.")
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- Order relative to providing that the Attorney-General shall consult and advise with the, commissioners on questions of law, 126; report (inexpedient), 611, 531, 698; accepted, 860.
- Bill (on leave) to amend an act to improve the, of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, 155; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1011; accepted, 1038.
- Order relative to exempting laborers from the provisions of the, 165; report (inexpedient), 595; accepted, 611.
- Resolve (S. on leave) providing rooms for the use of the, commissioners, 251, 389, 434, 446, 457; passed, 589.
- Bill (S) to define exemptions from the, rules, 352, 497, 574; referred to the next General Court, 1165.
- So much of the report of the, commissioners as relates to advice from the Attorney-General, and so much as relates to the punishment of perjury, 423; report (inexpedient), 511, 531, 699; accepted, 860.
- Petition (S.) that the rules of the, commissioners may be more clearly defined and that a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of Boston may be secured, 204; report (leave to withdraw), 527; accepted, 548.
- Clergymen, returns of baptisms by. (See "Baptisms.")
- Clerical assistance, so much of the Governor's address as relates to, 18.
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- Order relative to requiring, to keep their offices continuously open, 127; bill reported, 484, 504, 521; notice of rejection by the Senate, 627.
- Petition (S.) that the salaries of, may be established, 204; order relative to increasing the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Brockton, 165; petitions (S.) of clerks of police and district courts for increase of salaries, 323; petition in aid, 464; report (reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System), 616, 644, 661; accepted, 662.
- Petition (S.) for legislation relating to the office of registers of deeds and regulating the office of, 492; report (S. leave to withdraw), 745; accepted, 758.
- Clinton, Petition of the water commissioners of, for authority to increase its water supply, 45; bill (S.) reported, 543, 601, 657, 670, 783; enacted, 851.
- Clothing, manufacture of, under the sweating system. (See "Sweating System.")
- Coal. (See "Anthracite Coal.")
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- Collateral legacies and successions, taxation of. (See "Taxation.")
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- College medical degrees (see "Medical Degrees.")
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- Columbia Loan and Trust Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 350; bill reported, 683, 749, 810, 863, 877, 936; enacted, 1023.
- COLUMBUS, CHRISTOPHER: (See "World's Columbian Exposition.")
- Order relative to making the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by, a legal holiday, 98; report (inexpedient), 398; accepted, 411.
- Resolve (on leave) relative to the observation of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America, 1153, 1165; passed, 1187.
- COMMITTEE HEARINGS: (See "Bulletin of Committee Hearings.")
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- Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee on Public Reservations, 34; committee appointed, 150.
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- Joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions granted further time to report, 701, 715, 743.
- Committee on Agriculture authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth, 690; granted further time to report, 690, 701.
- Committee on Cities granted further time to report, 701, 714, 857, 919, 969, 1000.
- Committee on Drainage authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 276; granted further time to report, 701, 714.
- Committee on Education authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 69; granted further time to report, 743, 815.
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- Committee on Fisheries and Game authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 90; authorized to employ a stenographer, 351; granted further time to report, 701, 714.
- Committee on Harbors and Public Lands authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 65; authorized to employ a stenographer, 115; granted further time to report, 701, 714.
- Committee on Labor authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 99.
- Committee on the Library, Order relative to changing the, to "committee on Libraries," 62. (See "Rules.")
- Committee on Manufactures, Order relative to authorizing the, to visit Philadelphia, 525; adopted, 541; granted further time to report, 702, 715.
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- Committee on Prisons authorized to visit within the Commonwealth, 40.
- Joint committee on Probate and Insolvency granted further time to report, 714.
- Committee on Public Charitable Institutions authorized to travel, and also to visit the American Asylum for Deaf and Dumb at Hartford, Conn., 30.
- Committee on Public Health authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 96; granted further time to report, 690, 701.
- Joint special committee on Public Reservations authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 462.
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- Joint special committee on Rapid Transit granted further time to report, 702, 715; authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature, 743, 754.
- Committee on Roads and Bridges authorized to visit within the Commonwealth, 53; granted further time to report, 702, 716, 743.
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- Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to investigate the duties and compensation of officials and employees of administrative boards and commissions and public institutions, 480, 498; notice of rejection by the Senate, 556.
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- Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to consider the subject of the establishment of a State printing office, 719; adopted, 734, 741, 920, 979, 988; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1147.
- Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider the expediency of disbarring Horace K. Osborne as a legislative counsel, 1163; committee appointed, 1193; committee authorized to send for persons and papers and employ a stenographer, 1171. (See "Bribery.")
- Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to consider the subject of expediting the business of the General Court, 1163, 1192; committee appointed, 1208, 1209.
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- Order relative to the committee on Constitutional Amendments and the joint special committee on Rapid Transit sitting jointly, 73; rejected, 77.
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- Order (S.) relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to revise the judicial system of the Commonwealth, 439, 451; adopted, 474; committee appointed, 1208, 1209.
- Common carriers, Order relative to legislation to diminish the number of accidents to persons while being carried in herdies, hacks, cabs or other vehicles, and to provide for compensation for personal injuries sustained while being carried in such vehicles, 226; report (inexpedient), 512, 531, 612; accepted, 635.

Commonwealth cases, Bill (on leave) concerning the expenses of actions in, referred to the next General Court, 342.

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Order relative to legislation to make the, more homogeneous and symmetrical, 196, 218, 234; rejected, 244.

Connecticut River Railroad, Petition of the, for increase of capital stock, 159; bill reported, 466, 475, 538, 609 (yea and nay, 662), 663 (yea and nay, 671); enacted, 818; message from the Governor returning the bill with his objections, 866, 924; bill failed to pass (yea and nay, 925), 930.

Consignments, Petition for legislation giving greater security to, 104; bill reported, 495, 562, 576; notice of rejection by the Senate, 718.

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First report of the Rapid Transit Commissioners, 27, 36; petition for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing the taking of entire tracts of land for improvements in highways, 96; petition in aid, 471; resolve reported, 656, 730, 769, 814; rejected, 820.

Order relative to altering or repealing existing law respecting the mileage of members of the Legislature, 97; resolve reported, 152, 177; agreed to (yea and nay), 206; passed, 273.

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Order relative to requiring the secretary of the Commonwealth to mail to each voter the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution to be voted for, 141; report (inexpedient), 313; accepted, 327, 337.

Order relative to printing and posting at polling places of proposed, 161; bill reported, 326, 368, 383, 392; enacted, 486.

Order relative to amending the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, 161; order (S.) relative to the same, 169; order (S.) relative to biennial sessions of the Legislature, 169; order (S.) relative to biennial elections and annual sessions, 169; remonstrance against biennial elections, 841; report (inexpedient), 628, 657; resolves substituted, 753, 756, 956, 1069; not agreed to (yea and nay), 1075.

Petition for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections and biennial or triennial sessions, 179; report (leave to withdraw), 628, 658; accepted, 1060.

Petition that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled, 219; report (S. leave to withdraw), 542; accepted, 562.

Amendment to establish equal political rights to all citizens, irrespective of sex. (See "Woman Suffrage.")

Disqualification of criminals from holding office. (See "Criminals.")

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- Order relative to taking from the files the resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor, 384; resolve reported, 496, 585; agreed to (yea and nay), 735.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to provide that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence of voters, 203, 365; report (S. leave to withdraw), 542; accepted, 562.
- Order relative to providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor, 886; resolves reported, 944, 1019, 1038, 1064; passed, 1158.
- Contagious diseases, spread of, in schools. (See "Schools.")
- Contract labor in penal institutions. (See "Penal Institutions.")
- Contracts between husband and wife. (See "Husband and Wife.")
- Controller of County Accounts. (See "County Accounts.")
- Convict labor. (See "Penal Institutions.")
- Conway, Petition that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of, may be legalized, 886, 919; bill reported, 1106; enacted, 1196.
- Co-operative Improvement Association, Petition for incorporation as the, 181; report (leave to withdraw), 606; accepted, 621.
- Corporate Building Association, Petition for incorporation of the, 276.
- CORPORATIONS: (See "Foreign Mortgage Corporations;" also "Manufacturing Establishments.")
- Order relative to the attachment of shares of foreign, 52; report (inexpedient), 441; accepted, 456.
- So much of the report of the Attorney-General as relates to the failure of, to make tax returns, 67; bill (S. reported) to dissolve certain, 344, 353, 361; enacted, 402.
- Annual report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of, 76; report (no legislation necessary), 607; accepted, 621.
- So much of the report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of, as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of, and the law requiring foreign, to make the Commissioner of, their attorney for the service of process, 76; report (S. no legislation necessary), 667; accepted, 695.
- Returns of gas. (See "Gas Corporations.")
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- Bill (on leave) to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing, to hold real estate, 134, 398, 631; rejected, 661.
- Compelling of persons to sign agreements not to join labor organizations by. (See "Labor Organizations.")
- Liability of railroad, for damage by fire. (See "Railroad Corporations.")
- Order relative to requiring a list of stockholders of foreign, 191; report (inexpedient), 606, 1046, 1065, 1129; referred to the next General Court, 1137.
- Order relative to legislation concerning the par value of shares and notice of first meeting of, 214; report (inexpedient), 629; accepted, 646.
- Petition that members of all, may vote by proxy, 249, 271; petition in aid, 918; bill (reported) to allow members of certain charitable and other, to vote by proxy, 345, 353, 361; new draft (S.), 571, 1046, 1075, 1086; rejected, 1137.
- Abstract of certificates of, 350; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 667.
- Petition of the North Wrentham Cemetery Association that its name may be changed, 321; bill (reported) to amend an act authorizing the Commissioner of, to change the names of, 596, 611, 648; enacted, 723.
- Order (S.) relative to amending chapter 360 of the Acts of 1891 so that its provisions shall not apply to fraternal beneficiary organizations transacting the business defined in chapter 429, Acts of 1888, 71; bill (S. reported) relating to changes of name of certain, 639, 676, 697; enacted, 723.

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Reduction of witness fees and, in certain cases. (See "Witness Fees.")

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Order relative to making up a supplementary pay-roll for balances due for compensation for travel, 1058; order reported and adopted, 1083.

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Order (S.) relative to providing that the consent of directors of, shall not be necessary when the change of the grade of a railroad is desired, 48; report (S. inexpedient) accepted, 991.

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Order relative to making the tickets issued by any railroad good on all trains passing between the stations named on said ticket whether stopping or not, 70; report, (inexpedient), 409; accepted, 420.

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Sailors and marines, Resolve (S.) in favor of the officers who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment (reported, in part, on the report of the Adjutant-General), 928, 960, 973, 988, 1003; passed, 1024.

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Petition of the, for authority to refund the existing indebtedness of said city, and to issue bonds, notes or scrip for said purpose, 29; bill (S.) reported, 83, 93, 101; enacted, 116.

Petition of the, for authority to establish a wharf at Salem Willows, 43; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 408.

Petition relative to the removal of poles, wires or other structures from the highways in the, 157. (For bill reported, see "Electric Wires.")

Petition (S.) for legislation concerning the laying out and altering of streets in the, 232; report (S.) reference to the next General Court, 938; accepted, 987.

Petition of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in the, for modification of the terms of admission to membership in said corporation, 604; bill reported, 693, 711, 724; enacted, 779.

Sandwich, Petition of the towns of, Bourne and Mashpee for authority to form a school superintendency district, 727; bill reported, 808, 819, 851, 909, 922; enacted, 1023.

SAVINGS BANKS:

Part I. of the sixteenth annual report of the commissioners of, 37; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 744. (For bill reported, see "Trust Companies.")

Part II. of the sixteenth annual report of the commissioners of, 76, 667; resolve (S. reported, in part) providing for printing five hundred additional copies of Part II. of the report of the board of commissioners of, 1183; passed, 1196; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 744.

Petition (S.) that, may invest in the bonds of certain street railway companies, 130; report (reference to the next General Court), 641; accepted, 659.

Petition of the first clerk of the board of commissioners of, for increase of salary, 138; bill reported, 597, 670, 687, 711; enacted, 791.

Petition for legislation to allow deposits in, to be placed on interest monthly, 155; petitions in aid, 350, 374; report (leave to withdraw), 492, 517, 721, 785, 829 (yea and nay, 835); accepted, 838.

Petition that, and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad, 175, 262; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 294.

Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning deposits in, 197; report (inexpedient), 682; accepted, 710.

Order (S.) relative to enabling national banks to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies, 197; order (S.) relative to the same subject, 416, 427; resolve (S. reported) providing for an examination by the board of commissioners of, of the laws relating to banks and banking, 746, 809, 819, 835; passed, 875.

School books, gift of, to pupils. (See "Schools.")

School buildings. (See "School-houses.")

School committees, Order relative to providing that members of, shall be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen, 104; report (inexpedient), 295, 304; bill substituted, 330, 338; rejected, 373, 379.

School for Christian Workers, Petition for legislation to enable the, to admit women as students, 136; bill (S.) reported, 507, 535, 550; enacted, 589.

School-houses, so much of the report of the chief of the district police as relates to the ventilation of, 61.

SCHOOLS: (See "School Tax.")

- So much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in the public, and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments, 19; report of the commission appointed to investigate the subject of manual training and industrial education, 526; resolve (S.) reported, 763, 809, 819, 835; passed, 876; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 682.
- Order relative to making the State constitution a required study in the higher grade grammar and high, 63; report (Inexpedient), 295; accepted, 303.
- Order relative to the gift of school books to pupils in the public, 80; report (Inexpedient), 336; accepted, 346.
- Resolve (on leave) to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal, 134, 497, 597, 611, 635; passed, 751.
- Order relative to requiring that all towns shall maintain, for a period of not less than thirty weeks in each year, 162; report (reference to the next General Court), 617; accepted, 646.
- Petition (S.) for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at, and relative to truants and their support, also relative to the election of school superintendents and for the establishment of a State board of examiners, 174; report (leave to withdraw), 617; accepted, 646.
- Order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance at, to sixteen years, 187; report (Inexpedient), 425, 435, 500, 576; accepted, 624.
- Order (S.) relative to raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, 198; report (Inexpedient), 424; accepted, 435.
- Order relative to further assistance for the support of public, in certain towns, 187; report (reference to the next General Court), 617; accepted, 634.
- Order relative to providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings, 187; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 640.
- Order relative to preventing the spread of contagious diseases in, 192; report (Inexpedient), 607; accepted, 621.
- Order (S.) relative to extending the time for report of the commission to examine systems of manual training and industrial education, 230, 366.
- So much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to manual training and industrial education, 594; report (S. no legislation necessary), 728; accepted, 751.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS: (See "Schools.")

- Order relative to increasing the allowance to districts that employ, 141; report (Inexpedient), 513; accepted, 534.
- Order relative to a board of examiners to examine all candidates for, 141; bill reported, 442, 457; rejected, 470.
- Order relative to the formation of school superintendency districts for towns of not sufficient size to maintain, 142; report (Inexpedient), 464; accepted, 477.
- School tax, so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation for expenditure for public schools, 19; order relative to providing that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth, 64; petitions in aid, 681, 689, 700, 714, 742, 776, 788, 806, 809; report (reference to the next General Court), 607, 709; bill substituted, 785, 824; report (reference to the next General Court), 1148 (yea and nay, 1169); accepted, 1170.

SCHOOL TEACHERS:

- Order relative to the examination and certification of, by State authority, 141; report (Inexpedient), 493; accepted, 519.
- Order relative to providing that public, shall be residents of the place in which they teach, 187; report (Inexpedient), 425; accepted, 435.

- Scituate, Petition that an allowance may be made by the State for certain veterans of the town of, 212; report (leave to withdraw), 583; accepted, 610.
- Scott, Andrew C. (See "Boston, City of.")
- Seals, Order relative to increasing the bounty for killing, 376; bill (S.) reported, 571, 659, 752; enacted, 771.
- Seamen, Order relative to the protection of, against impositions by boarding-house keepers and others, 226; bill reported, 495, 520, 535, 807, 999; enacting clause stricken out (yea and nay, 1048), 1061.
- SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH:
- Certificates of returns of members of the House received from the, 3.
 - Votes for, committee on returns of, appointed, 9; report (S.) accepted, 11; notified of election, 15.
 - Order relative to requesting the, to furnish the vote for representatives in the several districts in the election of Nov. 3, 1891, 5, 6.
 - Bill (on leave) relative to the duties of the, 165; bill reported, 559, 597, 621, 634, 747, 759; enacted, 779.
 - Statement of votes for representatives in the General Court. (See "General Court.")
- SECURITIES:
- Exemption from taxation of State and municipal. (See "Taxation.")
 - Dealings in margins in. (See "Gambling.")
- Seeds, Order relative to requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of, sold by them, 224; report (inexpedient), 388; accepted, 403.
- SENATE:
- Message received announcing the organization of the, 4; notified of the organization of the House, 6.
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 - Quorum of the, and House of Representatives. (See "Attorney-General.")
 - Election of senators and representatives. (See "Constitutional Amendments.")
 - Expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell, door-keeper of the. (See "Edgell, Stillman W.")
 - Messengers and pages of the, and House. (See "Messengers and Pages of the Senate and House of Representatives.")
- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:
- Message received announcing the election of, on the part of the Senate, 7; Senate notified of the election of, on the part of the House, 7; notified of his election, 8; resolution of thanks to the, 1212.
 - Order relative to the receipt and delivery of letters and packages to members of the Legislature, 506, 525; report, 788.
 - Reports of the, on the expenses of committees. (See "Committees.")
- Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Sons of Veterans. (See "Sons of Veterans.")
- Sewage, Order relative to the State joining with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of, 240; report (inexpedient), 629; accepted, 646.
- Sewerage and sewage disposal, so much of the report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage as relates to, 71; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 702.
- Sewer assessments in towns. (See "Towns.")
- Sewer rates, consolidation of water and sewer departments in cities and the establishment of. (See "Water and Sewer Departments.")
- Sewers, Order relative to giving cities and towns a wider latitude in determining the time and manner of paying for the construction of, 80; Senate order substituted, 128; order relative to authorizing cities and towns to adopt such system of assessment to cover the cost and maintenance of, as will be most equitable, 161; order (S.) relative to the adoption of sewer systems in towns and assessment of cost thereof, 169; bill (S.) reported, 717, 751, 778; enacted, 819.

Shade trees. (See "Trees.")

Shawmut Congregational Society, Petition of the, of Boston, for authority to sell its meeting-house, 137; bill reported, 236, 347, 354; enacted, 419.

Shawmut Trust Company, Petition for incorporation as the, 179; report (leave to withdraw), 641; accepted, 659.

Sheffield, school district represented by the town of, and other towns. (See "West Stockbridge.")

SHERIFFS:

Abstract of the returns of, 42; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 482.

Order relative to the liability of, deputy, constables and police officers in making arrests, 193; report (inexpedient), 433; accepted, 445.

Shipwrecked Goods, Commissioners of, report (S. reference to the next General Court) on so much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 concerning the changing, consolidating or abolishing of the various State commissions as relates to the, 1083; accepted, 1131.

Shows, attendance of children at. (See "Children.")

Silver, Petition relative to instructing the senators and representatives from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for the free coinage of, 136; report (leave to withdraw), 288; accepted, 298.

Single tax. (See "Taxation.")

Slade Cemetery Association, Petition for incorporation of the, 158. (See "Nathan Slade Cemetery Association.")

Slaughtering. (See "Trades.")

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Upper berths in. (See "Railroad Corporations.")

Taxation of. (See "Taxation.")

Small loans, rate of interest on. (See "Interest;" also "Loans.")

Snow and ice cases. (See "Highways.")

Soldiers, index of names of. (See "Adjutant-General.")

Soldiers and sailors, Order relative to providing that the State reimburse cities and towns for money expended for the burial of deceased, 97; bill reported, 516, 530, 549, 563; enacted, 675.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, Petition (S.) of the trustees of the, for an appropriation, 38; resolve (S.) reported, 151, 205, 222, 235; passed, 254.

SOMERVILLE, CITY OF:

Petition for legislation in relation to the funded debt of the, 156; bill reported, 325, 340, 348, 416; enacted, 434.

Petition that the, be authorized to expend money for its fiftieth anniversary, 320; bill reported, 389, 403, 412; enacted, 467.

Petition that the, may be authorized to raise money for paving certain streets, 356; petition in aid, 540; bill reported, 528, 562, 576; enacted, 645.

SONS OF VETERANS:

Petition that, may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies, 111; report (leave to withdraw), 527, 574, 1012, 1035, 1074, 1087; bill substituted, 1112; rejected, 1160.

Petition that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade, 257; report (leave to withdraw), 527, 574, 1012, 1035, 1074; accepted, 1087.

South Adams Fire District, Petition of the, that its name may be changed, and that the town of Adams may be authorized to issue its bonds and loan the same to the, 138, 220; petition relative to the same, 593; bill reported, 656, 676, 688; enacted, 770.

South Berkshire Mountain Club, Petition for incorporation of the, 181; petition in aid, 439, 579; bill reported, 669, 711, 724, 808; enacted, 1023.

SOUTH BOSTON:

- Municipal court of. (See "Boston, City of.")
- L Street Bridge across the reserve channel in. (See "Boston, City of.")
- Grade crossing of the Old Colony Railroad at. (See "Old Colony Railroad.")
- Life-saving station at City Point. (See "Boston, city of.")
- South Boston Gas Company. (See "Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.")
- Southern district attorney. (See "District Attorneys.")
- Southern Norfolk district court. (See "Norfolk County.")

SOUTH HADLEY:

- Petition of Fire District No. 1 of, for a special charter, for ratification of its acts, and for authority to issue bonds, 46; bill reported, 280, 292, 299; enacted, 359.
- Petition of Fire District No. 1 of, for authority to make an additional water loan, 480; bill reported, 641, 660, 677; enacted, 751.
- Spalding, Henry C., Petition of, for the incorporation of the Subway Company. (See "Rapid Transit.")
- Speaker, election of, 4; address of, 4, 5, 6; resolution of thanks to the, 1209.

SPECIAL LAWS:

- So much of the Governor's address as relates to the passage of general instead of. (See "General Laws.")
- Order relative to republishing the first five volumes of the Massachusetts, 191; resolve reported, 466, 530; rejected, 675.
- Spot Pond, Petition for legislation granting the control of the public in, to the municipalities using said pond as a water supply, 158; bill reported, 777, 800, 807; enacted, 825.
- Springfield, city of, Petition (S) that the, be enabled to require the placing of electric wires under ground, 203; report (leave to withdraw), 629; accepted, 646.
- Squam Pond, request that, be placed under the control of the United States Fish Commission. (See "United States Fish Commission")
- Stables. (See "Barns.")
- Staples, Hamilton B., Resolve (S. on leave) in favor of the widow of the late, 294; new draft (S.) reported, 407, 420, 429; passed, 456.
- State Agricultural Experiment Station, ninth annual report of the board of control of the, 32.
- State Aid Commissioner, so much of the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts as relates to the salary of the, 55; bill reported, 546, 618, 634, 648; enacted, 791.
- State Almshouse at Tewksbury, thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the, 42; resolve (reported, in part) providing for certain improvements at the, 176, 389, 403, 412; passed, 502; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 545.
- State and municipal securities, exemption from taxation of. (See "Taxation.")
- State arsenal and State camp ground, report of the committee on Military Affairs on the condition of the, accepted, 1135.
- STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE:** (See "Massachusetts Agricultural College.")
- So much of the Governor's address as relates to the, 18; so much of the report of the joint special committee of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the, 594; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 842; accepted, 876.
- Petition of the chief clerk in the office of the, for an increase of salary, 30; petition in aid, 224; bill reported, 368, 442, 457, 469; enacted, 589.
- Special report of the, on the work of extermination of the gypsy moth, 33; resolve reported, 92, 107, 117, 133; passed, 291.
- Order relative to printing additional copies of the report of the, on the work of extermination of the gypsy moth, 64; resolve reported, 363, 368, 384, 392; passed, 532.

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First annual report of the State dairy bureau of the, 42; report (S no legislation necessary) accepted, 150.

Order (S.) relative to the compensation of the dairy bureau, 169; bill reported, 352, 399, 412, 421, 556; enacted, 588.

Representation at meetings of the, by horticultural societies. (See "Horticultural Societies.")

Report of the, concerning tuberculosis, 293; report (no legislation necessary), 669; accepted, 687.

Thirty-ninth annual report of the secretary of the, 553.

STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION AND CONCILIATION:

Order relative to providing that the expert assistants to the, shall have voice and vote in matters coming before the board, 189; bill reported, 485, 766, 791, 820; new draft (S.), 1018, 1072, 1087, 1105; enacted, 1151.

Report of the, 209; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 716.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Fifty-fifth annual report of the, and fifty-fifth annual report of the secretary of the board, 86; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 656. (See "State Normal School at Bridgewater.")

Order relative to providing that the, may take and hold in trust grants, devises, donations, bequests, etc., for educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, 161; report (inexpedient), 606; accepted, 621.

Salary of the assistant librarian of the State library and clerk of the. (See "State Library.")

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH:

Report of the, upon water supply and sewerage. (See "Water Supply;" also "Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.")

Report of the, relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic, 252; report (S. no legislation necessary), 570; accepted, 590.

Report of the, concerning the inspection of food and drugs, 377; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 639.

Order (S.) relative to leasing a room to be used as a laboratory for the, 958; resolve (S.) reported, 1071, 1097, 1137, 1150; passed, 1158.

STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY:

Thirteenth annual report of the, 209; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 704; report (no further legislation necessary), 1002; accepted, 1014. (For bills reported, see "Infants;" "Insane;" "Illegitimate Children;" "Chronic Insane.")

Report (S. reference to the next General Court) on so much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the, 1083; accepted, 1131.

State board of road engineers. (See "Highways.")

State camp ground. (See "State Arsenal and State Camp Ground.")

State Constitution, study of, in certain schools. (See "Schools.")

State dairy bureau. (See "State Board of Agriculture.")

State election day a legal holiday. (See "Legal Holiday.")

State employees, semi-monthly payment of. (See "Employees.")

State Farm at Bridgewater, thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the, 32; resolve (reported, in part) providing for certain repairs and improvements at the, 132, 296, 304, 317; passed, 411; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 526.

State highway commission. (See "Highways.")

STATE HOUSE:

Petition relative to the taking of land near the, in case a city hall is built by the city of Boston, 797; bill reported, 944, 1032, 1111, 1121; enacted, 1179.

Bill (on leave) in addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the, extension, 1101; enacted, 1196.

State House Commissioners, annual report of the, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, 35; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 83.

State House Construction Commissioners, third annual report of the, 27, 36; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 83.

State Industrial School for Girls, Resolve in favor of the (reported, in part, on the report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools), 337, 338, 401, 643, 670, 687, 697; passed, 811.

State institutions, semi-monthly payment of employees in. (See "Employees.")

STATE LIBRARY:

Report of the librarian of the, 42; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 616.

Order (S.) relative to increasing the salary of the assistant librarian of the, 150; report (inexpedient), 495, 517; bill substituted, 591, 618, 647, 660; enacted, 833.

Order relative to authorizing the librarian of the, to prepare a card index of current events, 189; bill reported, 419, 443, 457, 469; enacted, 588.

State loan, Petition of John M. Berry that a, of \$3,000,000 be made to cities and towns to be used for building homes for the people, to be paid for in rent, 116; report (leave to withdraw), 313; accepted, 328.

STATE LUNATIC HOSPITALS. (See "Lunatic Hospitals.")

Fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, 42; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 424.

Thirty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital, 42; petition (S.) of the trustees of the, at Northampton for an appropriation for repairs and improvements at said institution, 71; resolve reported (in part), 261, 529, 549, 576; passed, 751; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 526.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, 42; resolve (S. reported, in part) providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, 408, 529, 550, 563; passed, 589; report (S. no further legislation necessary), 570; accepted, 590.

Seventh annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, 42; resolve (S. reported, in part) providing for the purchase of land and buildings, and for the purchase of a silo for the, 746, 1032, 1050, 1075; passed, 1137.

Fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester, 42; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 440.

State Normal Art School, Order relative to finishing the exterior of the, 187; resolve reported, 443, 530, 549, 563; passed, 772.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT BRIDGEWATER:

Resolve in favor of the (reported, in part, on the report of the State Board of Education), 608, 642, 660, 677; passed, 772.

Right of way over land of the. (See "Bridgewater.")

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT FRAMINGHAM:

Resolve (on leave) in aid of the, 134, 473, 530, 549, 563; passed, 772.

Resolve (on leave) to provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School, 178, 302, 315, 329, 341; passed, 411.

State Normal School in Westfield, Resolve (on leave) in favor of the, 841, 858, 908, 921, 932; passed, 1024.

State Normal School at Worcester, Petition of the visitors of the, for an appropriation, 102; resolve reported, 315, 368, 383, 392; passed, 589.

State normal schools, Resolve (on leave) to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools, 134, 497, 597, 611, 635; passed, 751.

State Pension Agent, fourth annual report of the, 73; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 526.

State primary and reform schools, thirteenth annual report of the trustees of the, 32; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 628. (For bills reported, see "State Industrial School for Girls;" also "Lyman School for Boys.")

STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL AT MONSON:

Resolve (on leave) to provide for repairing damages caused by fire at the, 665, 682, 704; passed, 733.

Resolve (on leave) providing for the construction of fire-escapes at the, 797, 816; passed, 834.

Resolve (on leave) providing for repairing damage caused by fire at the, 1028, 1059, 1098, 1111; passed, 1152.

STATE PRINTING:

Petitions for an investigation into the methods of awarding the, and for the establishment of a, office, 120, 462, 463, 479; order reported recommending the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess to consider the subject, 719; adopted, 734, 741, 920, 979, 988; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1147.

Order (S.) relative to providing for a superintendent of, 199; report (inexpedient), 718; accepted, 733.

Order (S.) relative to legislation in view of the expiration of the, 199; resolve (on leave) in relation to the, 223; resolve reported, 720, 778, 832, 889, 933, 937, 1021; passed, 1121.

STATE PRISON:

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the, 32; report (no legislation necessary), 494; accepted, 520.

Limitation of industries in the, and other penal institutions. (See "Penal Institutions.")

Order relative to pensioning the officers of the, 125; bill reported, 558, 683, 696, 752; notice of rejection by the Senate, 868.

Bill (on leave) to provide for pensioning officers of the, and Massachusetts Reformatory, 135, 720; rejected, 737.

Resolve to provide for repairs at the (reported, in part, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 720, 765; passed, 825.

Message from the Governor transmitting a request from the Commissioners of Prisons for an appropriation for repairs at the, 726; resolve (S.) reported, 764; passed, 772.

Bill (S.) authorizing the grading and classifying of prisoners in the (reported, in part, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons), 746, 758, 781; enacted, 810.

So much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the warden of the, 594; bill (S.) relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the, at Boston, 1096, 1112; rejected, 1160.

State tax, Bill to apportion and assess a, of \$1,750,000 (reported on all matters relating to the finances), 1174, 1185; enacted, 1195.

State Topographical Survey. (See "Topographical Survey Commission.")

Statistics, so much of the Governor's address as relates to the, 18; so much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the board of supervisors of, 594; report (S. no legislation necessary), 842; accepted, 862.

- Statistics of Labor, Bureau of, Order (S.) relative to an additional appropriation to be expended under the direction of the, for obtaining statistics as to tenements in the city of Boston, 99; resolve (S.) reported, 260, 296, 305, 318; passed, 339.
- Statutes, report (S. reference to the next General Court) on so much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1891 relative to changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the table of indexes relating to the, 1083; accepted, 1131.
- Steam engineering, bureau of, Order (S.) relative to providing for the creation of a, and providing for the examination and licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, steam boilers and steam generators, 128; petition (S.) in aid, 301.
- St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad, Petition (S.) that savings banks and institutions for savings may invest in the bonds of the, 175, 261; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 294.
- STONEHAM:**
- Petition for legalization of a vote of the town of, appropriating a certain sum of money for a celebration, 431; bill (S. reported), 571, 600, 624; enacted, 645.
- Petition that the town of, may be authorized to aid in the construction of a street railway, 1119; bill reported, 1148, 1166, 1183; enacted, 1195.
- STOUGHTON:**
- Petition for incorporation as a cemetery association in the town of, 74; bill (reported) to incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of, 496, 520, 535; enacted, 620.
- Petition that a vote of the town of, may be legalized, 554, 582; bill reported, 719, 734, 753, 816; enacted, 825.
- Petition that the town of, may be authorized to issue water bonds, 934; bill reported, 1002, 1013; enacted, 1023.
- Street bands, Order relative to legislation to abolish or suppress, 167; bill reported, 483, 601, 577, 586, 623, 769 (yea and nay, 903), 909, 1069; enacted, 1157.
- STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES:**
- Petition (S.) that savings banks may invest in the bonds of certain, 130; report (reference to the next General Court), 641; accepted, 659.
- Order relative to requiring the payment of a fee by, for printing their annual reports, 225; bill reported, 546, 597, 611, 622; enacted, 750.
- Order relative to the issue of bonds by, for refunding their debts, 192; bill reported, 529, 549, 622; enacted, 723.
- Street railway employees, Petition for legislation limiting the hours of labor of, 137; orders relative to limiting the hours of labor of, to nine hours, to be performed inside of eleven consecutive hours, 143, 163; bill reported, 528, 596, 623, 648; notice of rejection by the Senate, 919.
- STREET RAILWAYS:** (See "Street Railway Companies;" also "Rapid Transit.")
- Order relative to the taxation of all horse and electric railways, 57. (See "Rapid Transit.")
- Order relative to compelling the use on electric cars of some appliance to deaden the noise incident to the operation of said cars, 70; report (inexpedient), 442, 454, 683, 769; resolve substituted, 778, 791, 825; passed, 891.
- Order relative to applying approved pattern of fenders to cars on, for the protection of life, 82; report (inexpedient), 683; accepted, 710.
- Order relative to applying to open cars on, the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life, 145; report (inexpedient), 683; accepted, 696.
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- Trees, Order relative to providing that the officials charged with the duties of designating and marking, for preservation may also make such designations and renew such marks at other times in their discretion, 225; bill reported, 472, 487, 505; enacted, 589.
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- Trust companies, Bill (S.) in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks), 755, 780, 956; enacted, 993.

- Trustee process, Order relative to providing that the amount exempt from attachment or, for necessities shall be five dollars instead of ten dollars, as at present, 106; report (inexpedient), 387; accepted, 402.
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